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(57) Abstract

The instant invention is drawn to a sperm surface protein in substantially pure form selected from a human PH30 beta chain protein and a mouse PH30 beta chain proteins. Such proteins are useful as contraceptive vaccines in humans and mice respectively, and for identifying small molecules that will disrupt sperm-egg interaction and fertilization.

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION CONTRACEPTIVE VACCINE

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides sperm surface proteins and DNA sequences encoding the proteins which are useful in the prevention of fertilization. More particularly, the cloning and characterization of the mouse and human PH30 beta chain genes, as well as their use as contraceptive vaccines, are described.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Four methods of family planning are currently available in the U.S., sterilization, abstinence, abortion and contraception. Of these four birth control methods, contraception is the most widely utilized. Despite the substantial U.S. and global demand for contraception, the presently available methodologies fall short of market needs. Oral contraceptives and barrier methods dominate today's contraceptive market but have significant shortcomings. Oral contraceptives, though efficacious, are documented to be associated with significant side effects including increased risks of cardiovascular disease and breast cancer and are not recommended for women over the age of 35. Barrier methods, while safe, have failure rates approaching 20%. There is a clear need for increased availability of and improvements in contraceptives that offer superior safety, efficacy, convenience, acceptability and are affordable to women and men worldwide. Identification of novel approaches for controlling fertility is therefore necessary.

Immunization of male and female animals with extracts of whole sperm is known to cause infertility. [Tung, K., et al., J. Reproductive Immunol., 1; 145-158 (1979); Menge, A., et al., Biol. of Reproduction, 20, 931-937 (1979)]. Moreover, men and women who spontaneously produce antisperm antibodies are infertile, but otherwise healthy. [Bronson, R., et al., Fert. and Sterile, 42, 171-183 (1984)].

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Although the critical sperm antigens are unknown, these observations have led to the proposal that sperm proteins might be useful in the development of a contraceptives vaccine.

In mammalian species, sperm proteins are believed to have a role in sperm adhesion to the zona pellucida of the egg. The PH30 5 protein is known to be involved in sperm egg binding and antibodies that bind to PH30 inhibit this interaction. PH30 is an integral membrane protein present on posterior head of sperm which mediates sperm-oocyte fusion. The PH30 protein consists of two 10 immunologically distinct alpha and beta subunits. Both subunits are made as larger precursors and then finally processed in epididymis where sperm become fertilization competent. [Primakoff, P., et al., J. Cell Biology, 104, 141-149 (1987); Blobel, C.P., et al., J. Cell Biology, 111, 69-78 (1990)]. Monoclonal antibodies that recognize PH30 inhibit sperm-oocyte fusion in vitro, indicating its importance in fertilization 15 [Primakoff, P., et al., J. Cell Biology, 104, 141-149 (1987)].

Guinea pig PH30 alpha and beta chains have been cloned by Blobel et al. Mature PH30 alpha chain consists of 289 amino acids and encodes a transmembrane domain as well as an integral fusion peptide (82-102) that is similar to a potential fusion peptide of E2 glycoprotein of rubella virus. Guinea Pig PH30 beta chain has an open reading frame of 353 amino acids and also encodes a transmembrane domain. [Blobel C.P., et al., *Nature*, 356, 248-251 (1992)]. The predicted amino acid sequence of the PH30 beta chain protein contains significant homology to a class of proteins called disintigrins found in snake venom. These proteins are known to bind to a family of proteins called integrins and prevent their normal functioning in cell adhesion (a well studied example is platelet aggregation). The N-terminal ninety amino acids integrin binding disintigrin domain of PH30 beta has been postulated to mediate the binding of PH30 to its putative integrin receptor on oocytes. The cloning and sequence determination of the mouse and human PH30 beta chain genes would permit novel approaches to the control of sperm

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egg binding and fusions. These approaches include, but are not limited to, eliciting an immune response directed at all or part of the PH30 beta chain protein and using the PH30 beta chain protein as part of a screen to identify small molecules that alter sperm egg interactions.

Mammalian fertilization is, in most cases, species specific. Thus, the identification and isolation of sperm surface proteins essential for fertilization in species other than guinea pig would be useful for providing effective long lasting contraception in those species. Thus far, the lack of biochemical identification, isolation and cloning of candidate adhesion proteins of sperm has hindered scientists in developing effective contraceptives for humans as well as other mammalian species.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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The instant invention relates to a sperm protein in substantially pure form selected from a human PH30 beta chain protein, a mouse PH30 beta chain protein or an amino acid sequence substantially homologous to either the human or mouse PH30 beta chain protein.

In one embodiment of the invention is the sperm protein having an integrin binding sequence which is not TDE.

In one class is the sperm protein wherein the integrin binding sequence is selected from FEE or QDE.

In a subclass is the sperm protein which is the human PH30 beta chain protein.

Illustrative of this subclass is the sperm protein having an integrin binding sequence that is FEE.

Further illustrating the invention is a DNA sequence which encodes the sperm protein or a portion of the sperm protein sufficient to constitute at least one epitope.

An illustration is the DNA sequence wherein the epitope is on the native protein.

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Exemplifying the invention is the DNA sequence which encodes all or a portion of human PH30 beta chain protein.

An example of the invention is the DNA sequence, wherein the DNA encoding all or a portion of the human PH30 beta protein is characterized by the ability to hybridize, under standard conditions, to the DNA sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.

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More particularly illustrating the invention is a contraceptive composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of the protein, or a polypeptide having the substantially same amino acid sequence as a segment of the protein provided that the polypeptide is sufficient to constitute at least one epitope, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Another illustration is the contraceptive composition wherein the epitope is on the native protein.

Further exemplifying the invention is the contraceptive composition, wherein the protein is the human PH30 beta chain protein.

More specifically illustrating the invention is the contraceptive composition, wherein the protein is produced by expressing the gene encoding an immunogenic epitope of the sperm protein in a recombinant DNA expression vector.

Specifically exemplifying the invention is a vector comprising an inserted DNA sequence encoding for the protein.

A further illustration of the invention is the vector, wherein the inserted DNA sequence is characterized by the ability to hybridize, under standard conditions, to a DNA sequence selected from the DNA sequences of SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.

Another example of the invention is a host that is compatible with and contains the vector.

More specifically exemplifying the invention is a method of producing a human or mouse PH30 beta chain sperm protein, comprising the steps of culturing cells containing PH30 beta chain DNA and recovering the sperm protein from the cell culture.

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A further example is the method wherein the DNA encoding all or a portion of the PH30 beta chain protein is characterized by the ability to hybridize, under standard conditions, to a DNA sequence selected from the DNA sequences of SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.

A more specific illustration is a method of contraception in a human or mouse subject in need thereof, comprising administering to the subject an amount of the sperm protein which is effective for the stimulation of antibodies which bind to the sperm protein in vivo, thereby preventing or substantially reducing the rate of sperm-egg fusion.

Further illustrating the invention is the method wherein the sperm protein has an integrin binding sequence which is not TDE.

Another illustration is the PH30 beta chain protein made by the process described.

Another example is a DNA sequence as shown in Seq. ID No. 1 encoding human PH30 beta chain protein.

Still further illustrating the invention is a purified and isolated DNA sequence consisting essentially of a DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence sufficiently duplicative of that of human or mouse PH30 beta to allow the possession of the biological property of initiating sperm-egg binding or promoting sperm-egg fusion. This biological activity can be determined using the in vitro sperm-oocyte binding/fusion assays [Primakoff, P., et al., J. Cell. Biol., 104: 141-149 (1987)].

More particularly exemplifying the invention is the DNA sequence wherein the amino acid sequence contains an integrin binding sequence which is not TDE.

30 BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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Figure 1 is a diagram representing the human PH30 beta cDNA gene sequence encoding the human PH-30 beta protein, and the

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deduced amino acid sequence of the human PH-30 beta protein present in three letter code. The sequence disclosure of Figure 1 is represented as SEQ ID NO: 1 and 2.

Figure 2 is a diagram representing the mouse PH30 beta cDNA gene sequence, and the deduced amino acid sequence of the mouse PH-30 beta protein present in three letter code. The sequence disclosure of Figure 2 is represented as SEQ ID NO: 3 and 4.

Figure 3 is a restriction MAP of the human PH30 beta cDNA sequence.

Figure 4 is a restriction MAP of the mouse PH30 beta cDNA sequence.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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The subject invention relates to sperm surface proteins which 15 are essential for fertilization, or portions thereof, and their use in contraceptive methods. A sperm surface protein is essential for fertilization if, for example, a monoclonal antibody to the protein or a polyclonal antibody raised against the purified protein, when bound to sperm, inhibits in vitro or in vivo fertilization or any step of in vitro fertilization. The process of fertilization is defined as the binding or fusion 20 of two gametes (sperm and egg) followed by the fusion of their nuclei to form the genome of a new organism. The surface protein can be located in the plasma membrane of sperm and/or the inner acrosomal membrane. It can be a protein or glycoprotein. The isolated surface protein used for immunization can comprise the entire surface protein or some portion of 25 the protein (external to the cell) which is immunogenic. Two such sperm surface proteins are the mouse and human PH30 beta chain sperm surface proteins. The PH30 beta genes encode proteins which are present on the surface of sperm cells and are essential for fertilization. 30

As used herein, a protein or peptide is "substantially pure" when that protein or peptide has been purified to the extent that it is essentially free of other molecules with which it is associated in nature.

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The term "substantially pure" is used relative to proteins or pepides with which the peptides of the instant invention are associated in nature, and are not intended to exclude compositions in which the peptide of the invention is admixed with nonproteinous pharmaceutical carriers or vehicles.

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As used herein, an amino acid sequence substantially homologous to a referent PH-30 beta protein will have at least 70% sequence homology, preferably 80%, and most preferably 90% sequence homology with the amino acid sequence of a referent PH-30 beta protein or a peptide thereof. For example, an amino acid sequence is substantially homologous to mouse PH-30 beta protein if, when aligned with mouse PH-30 beta protein, at least 70% of its amino acid residues are the same. In addition, it is preferable that the substantially homologous amino acid sequence contains the integrin binding sequence.

As used herein, a DNA sequence substantially homologous to a referent PH-30 beta protein will have at least 70%, preferably 80%, and most preferably 90% sequence homology with the DNA sequence of a referent PH-30 beta. Moreover, a DNA sequence substantially homologous to a referent PH-30 beta protein is characterized by the ability to hybridize to the DNA sequence of a referent PH30 beta under standard conditions.

20 Standard hybridization conditions are described in Maniatis, T., et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor, New York.

An "expression vector" or "vector," as used herein, refers to a plasmid, bacteriophage, virus, or other molecule into which a gene of interest may be cloned, such that the appropriate signals for expression of that gene are present on that vector.

The term "epitope," as used herein, refers to the minimum amount of PH30 beta sequence capable of producing an efficatious, i.e., contraceptive, immune response.

The term "therapeutically effective amount," as used herein, means that amount of a drug or pharmaceutical agent that will elicit the

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biological or medical response that is being sought by a researcher or clinician.

Production and Purification of Immunogen

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A preferred method for producing sperm surface proteins for use as a contraceptive immunogen is by recombinant DNA technology. To produce the protein using this technology it is necessary to isolate and clone DNA encoding the protein, or an immunogenic portion thereof. Those skilled in the art are familiar with a variety of approaches which can be used in an effort to clone a gene of interest. However, having nothing more than the isolated protein of interest, success in such an effort cannot be predicted with a reasonable degree of certainty.

In the Examples which follow, Applicants describe the cloning and characterization of the mouse and human PH30 beta chain genes. The mouse and human PH30 beta chain genes were isolated using a cDNA encoding the guinea pig PH30 beta chain gene. The instant invention provides specific sequence information to permit targeted intervention in controlling fertility through anti PH30 directed immune responses inhibition of sperm-egg binding and triggering of post binding signaling and effective events. These sequences permit the generation of reagents for the isolation of oocyte proteins involved in sperm-egg interaction.

The information presented in the Examples enable one skilled in the art to isolate and clone the mouse or human PH30 beta chain gene. For example, a cDNA library is prepared from testis or spermatogenic cells isolated from the mammal of interest (e.g., mouse, human). Such a cDNA library is then screened using, for example, labeled guinea pig PH30 DNA probes. DNA encoding all or a portion of human or mouse PH30 is characterized by the ability to hybridize to such a probe sequence under hybridization conditions such as those described in Example 1. Methods of labeling and screening by

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hybridization are well known in the art. Positive clones are analyzed, and a full length cDNA is constructed by conventional methods.

The cloned gene, or portions thereof which encode an immunogenic region of the PH30 protein, can be expressed by inserting the coding region into an expression vector to produce an expression construct. Many such expression vectors are known to those skilled in the art. These vectors contain a promoter for the gene of interest as well as additional transcriptional and translational signals. Expression vectors for both eukaryotic host cells and prokaryotic host cells are widely available. The DNA expression construct is used to transform an appropriate host cell.

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Eukaryotic, in particular mammalian, host cells are often utilized for the expression of eukaryotic proteins. It has been found, for example, that eukaryotic proteins may exhibit folding problems when expressed in prokaryotic cells. In addition, production of authentic, biologically active eukaryotic proteins from cloned DNA sometimes requires post-translational modification such as disulfide bond formation, glycosylation, phosphorylation or specific proteolytic cleavage processes that are not performed in bacterial cells. This is especially true with membrane proteins. The sperm surface protein is produced using the transcriptional and translational components of the host cell. After an appropriate growth and expression period, the host cell culture is lysed and the sperm surface protein is purified from the lysate. Lysis buffers typically include non-ionic detergent, protease inhibitors, etc.

From the solubilized cell extract, the sperm surface protein can be purified and isolated by physical and biochemical methods such as ultracentrifugation, column chromatography, high performance liquid chromatography, electrophoresis, etc. Alternatively, the sperm surface protein can be isolated by affinity chromatography using monoclonal or polyclonal antibodies [see Primakoff et al., Biol. of

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Reprod. 38, 921-934 (1988)]. Such methods for purifying proteins are well known to those skilled in the art.

As mentioned above, antigenic portions or epitopes of the sperm surface protein are useful as immunogen, in addition to the full length protein. Antigenic fragments can be produced, for example, by proteolytic digestion of the full length protein, followed by isolation of the desired fragment. Alternatively, chemical synthesis can be used to generate the desired fragment starting with monomer amino acid residues.

With respect to the PH30 protein, certain antigenic domains are preferred candidates for use in a contraceptive vaccine. As is discussed in greater detail in the Exemplification section which follows, the PH30 β subunit contains a domain which is highly conserved when compared to a class of proteins known as disintegrins. A peptide (or portion thereof) which is identical or substantially identical to this domain is preferred for use in the contraceptive methods of this invention. Substantially identical, as used in the preceding sentence, means that at least 70% of the amino acid sequence of the peptide is identical to the corresponding portion of the PH30 β disintegrin domain.

Disintegrins are found in snake venom, for example, and are known to bind to a class of platelet surface proteins known as integrins. The binding of disintegrins to integrins has been shown to inhibit blood clotting. By analogy, peptides corresponding to the PH30 β disintegrin domain are predicted to be active in sperm-egg binding and fusion.

Contraceptive Vaccine

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Once the sperm surface protein has been produced and purified, a vaccine can be produced by combining the sperm surface protein or portion thereof with a suitable carrier for administration to a subject for immunization. For successful vaccine development it is

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necessary that the immunogen exhibit tissue specificity, that is, it is expressed on the target tissue only and must be essential for the process of reproduction. It is known that the PH30 protein, which is expressed only on sperm, is involved in sperm egg binding and antibodies that bind to PH30 inhibit that interaction.

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The cloning and characterization of human PH30 beta permits novel approaches for using PH30 as a target to control human fertility. PH30 beta protein or peptides can be used directly as an antigen to elicit an immune response directed to the whole or a relevant part of the PH30 beta chain protein. Testing of these approaches requires availability of sufficient quantities of PH30 beta protein. The cloning and sequencing of the mouse and human PH30 beta chain provides information necessary to recombinantly express all or part of the PH30 beta protein. These expressed proteins are used with or without adjuvant to immunize women or female mice. The elicited humoral immune responses are monitored by assays that use PH30 beta as antigen. Secreted antibodies in the female reproductive system will bind to the sperm head and disrupt fertilization. The availability of the recombinant mouse PH30 beta protein permits establishment of an animal model system for testing efficacy, reversibility and safety of specific methods of controlling fertility based on PH30.

A vaccine can contain one or more sperm surface proteins. Sperm surface proteins of the present invention can be combined with adjuvants which contain non-specific stimulators of the immune system. Proper use of adjuvants can induce a strong antibody response to foreign antigens (i.e., sperm surface proteins). The action of adjuvants is not fully understood, but most adjuvants incorporate two components. One is a substance designed to form a deposit which protects the antigen from catabolism. Two methods of forming a deposit are to use mineral oils or aluminum hydroxide precipitates. With mineral oils, such as Freund's adjuvant, the immunogen is prepared in a water-in-oil

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emulsion. For aluminum hydroxide, the immunogen is either adsorbed to preformed precipitants or is trapped during precipitation.

The second component required for an effective adjuvant is a substance that will stimulate the immune system nonspecifically.

- These substances stimulate the production of a large set of soluble peptide factors known as lymphokines. In turn, lymphokines stimulate the activity of antigen-processing cells directly and cause a local inflammatory reaction at the site of injection. A component of lipopolysaccharide known as lipid A is commonly used. Lipid A is available in a number of synthetic and natural forms that are much less toxic than lipopolysaccharides, but still retain most of the desirable adjuvant properties of the lipopolysaccharide molecules. Lipid A compounds are often delivered using liposomes. The two bacteria that are commonly used in adjuvants as non-specific stimulants are
- Bordatella pertussis and Mycobacterium tuberculosis. When used as whole bacteria, they must be heat-killed prior to use. The immunomodulatory mediators of B. pertussis include a lipopolysaccharide component and the pertussis toxin. The pertussis toxin has been purified and is available commercially. M. tuberculosis is commonly found in complete Freund's adjuvant. The most active component of M. tuberculosis has been localized to muramyl dipeptide which is available in a number of forms.

Immunizations (Inoculation and Booster Shots)

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The subject to be immunized can be any mammal which possesses a competent immune system. Examples of subject mammals include humans and domestic animals (e.g. dogs, cats, cows, horses, etc.), as well as animals intended for experimental or other purposes (e.g., mice, rats, rabbits, etc.).

Two different criteria are important to consider in determining the proper dose for the initial immunization. First, the optimum dose to achieve the strongest response and second, the

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minimum dose likely to induce the production of useful polyclonal antibodies. Much of the injected material will be catabolized and cleared before reaching the appropriate target immune cell. The efficiency of this process will vary with host factors, the route of injection, the use of adjuvants, and the intrinsic nature of the surface protein injected. Thus, the effective dose delivered to the immune system may bear little relationship to the introduced dose and consequently dose requirements must be determined empirically. These determinations can be readily made by one skilled in the art. Secondary injections and later boost can be given with amounts similar to or less than the primary injection.

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The route of injection is guided by three practical decisions: 1) what volume must be delivered; 2) what buffers and other components will be injected with the immunogen; and 3) how quickly should the immunogen be released into the lymphatics or circulation. For example, with rabbits, large volume injections normally are given at multiple subcutaneous sites. For mice, large volumes are only possible with intraperitoneal injections. If adjuvants or particulate matter are included in the injection, the immunogen should not be delivered intravenously. If a slow release or the inoculant is desired, the injections should be done either intramuscularly or intradermally. For immediate release, use intravenous injections.

Primary antibody responses often are very weak, particularly for readily catabolized, soluble antigens. Hence, secondary or booster injections are required after the initial immunization. A delay is needed before reintroducing the protein into a primed subject. A minimum of 2 or 3 weeks is recommended but greater intervals are possible. The antibody responses to secondary and subsequent injections is much stronger. Higher titers of antibody are reached, but more importantly, the nature and quantity of the antibodies present in serum changes. These changes yield high-affinity antibodies. The intervals between secondary, tertiary and subsequent injections may also be

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varied, but usually need to be extended to allow the circulating level of antibody to drop enough to prevent rapid clearance of newly injected antigen.

Subsequent booster injections will be required to increase reduced circulating antibody for continued contraception. The actual intervals for these injections will differ from species to species.

However, the intervals can be determined by one skilled in the art by monitoring serum levels of sperm surface protein antibodies.

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In another embodiment, subjects can be administered with alloantisera, or monoclonal antibodies, directed to a sperm surface protein to achieve contraception. The alloantiserum is raised in another individual of the same species, isolated from the serum of the individual and prepared in a suitable carrier for injection into the recipient subject. Those skilled in the art are familiar with methods for preparing and formulating monoclonal antibodies for administration.

There is convincing evidence that naturally occurring antibodies to sperm cause infertility in women [Bronson, R.A., et al., Fertility and Sterility, 42: 171-183 (1984)]. This infertility is better correlated with the antibody titers in cervical mucus than with the serum [Clark, G.N., Amer. J Reprod. Immunol., 5:179-181 (1984)]. Presence of anti-sperm antibodies in the cervical mucus of infertile women results in poor sperm penetration through the cervical mucus and agglutination of the sperm, thereby reducing the number of sperm available for fertilization. Thus, success of a contraceptive vaccine depends in particular on the generation of mucosal immune responses involving sustained titers of antisperm antibodies in the female reproductive tract.

Generally, local application of the antigen is an effective way to stimulate an antibody response by that mucosa [Mestecky, J., J Clin. Immunol., 7: 265-276 (1987)]. However, local mucosal immunization is ineffective in female reproductive tract due to the barrier function of the luminal epithelium and to rapid loss of antigen from the lumen of reproductive tract. Stability and adhesiveness of the antigen on the mucosal

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surface is important for the induction of the mucosal immune responses [de Aizpurua, H.J. and Russell-Jones, G.J., J Exp. Med., 167: 440 (1988)]. Adhesive antigens are critical to successful mucosal immunization, not only because they are effective mucosal immunogens themselves, but also because they are carrier proteins for other antigens. Cholera toxin is a potent immunogen when given mucosally, but acts as an adjuvant when given in combination with other antigens [McKenzie, S.J. and Halsey, J.A., J. Immunol., 133: 1818 (1984)]. Effective immunization is also dependent on the stability of the antigen on a mucosal surface. Many antigens for use in mucosal vaccines are poorly immunogenic because they are unable to 10 survive in the acidic and proteolytic conditions of the mucosal surface [O'Hagen, D.T., Curr. Opin. Infect. Dis., 3:393 (1990)]. The DL-lactideco-glycolide (DL-PLG) microsphere, microparticle carrier system is one of the most suitable systems for mucosal immunization. DL-PLG microspheres protect the antigen at mucosal surface and are taken up by the 15 mucosal lymphoid tissues where they induce mucosal immunity [Eldridge, J.H. et al, Curr. Top. Microbiol. Immunol., 146: 59 (1989)]. Liposomes and inactivated micro-organisms also are used as microparticle carriers. Some parenteral adjuvants such as Avridine, a lipoidal amine and muramyl 20 dipeptide (MDP), the active component of mycobacteria in Freund's complete adjuvant, also have been shown to be active as oral mucosal adjuvants and enhance mucosal immunization [Anderson, A.O. and Reynolds, J.A., J. Reticuloendothel. Soc., 26(suppl): 667 (1979); Taubman, M.A., et al., Ann. NY Acad. Sci., 409: 637 (1983)]. Development of 25 mucosal immune responses in female reproductive tract are optimized by using various adjuvants, micro particle carriers, by immunizing at local or remote mucosal surfaces or by combination of parenteral and mucosal immunization.

30 Utility of PH30 beta in Identification of Small Molecules that will <u>Disrupt Sperm-egg Interaction and Fertilization</u>

The comparison of the protein sequences of both mouse and human PH30 beta chain genes shows significant homology to a class of proteins called disintegrins found in the snake venoms. These proteins are known to bind a family of cell surface molecules called integrins and prevent their normal function in cell adhesion. On the basis of these homologies it is reasonable to conclude that the PH30 receptor on the oocyte is an integrin. Comparisons of the disintegrin domain sequences of guinea pig, mouse and human PH30 beta chain genes show significant differences in their putative ligand binding domain. In particular, the sequences in this region are different from other disintegrins and among the three species. The recombinant mouse and human PH30 beta proteins are used to make affinity resins to purify, identify and characterize mouse and human PH30 receptors. The recombinant PH30 beta also are used to determine its relative affinity to other integrins expressed in other tissues and are used as a ligand for cloning of the PH30 receptor.

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Since the integrin recognition sequences in PH30 beta are species specific, the sequence information is necessary to identify small molecules that disrupt fertilization in a species specific manner. The recombinant mouse and human PH30 beta are used to set up screens to identify small molecules that act either as antagonist to PH30 receptor and disrupt PH30 binding or act as an agonist and stimulate PH30 receptor inducing transmembrane signaling, egg cortical granule release and zona reaction thus making the egg impenetrable for fertilization.

The present invention is further illustrated in the following exemplification.

EXAMPLE 1

30 <u>Isolation of DNA Encoding Mouse and Human PH30 beta</u>
 A. cDNA Library Plating

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One million independent recombinant bacteriophage from both a human testis cDNA library in λ gt 11 (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA.) and mouse testis cDNA library (Stratagene La Jolla, CA.) in UNI-ZAP XR were plated. Plaque lifts were done in duplicate by placing a nitrocellulose filter on the plate for two minutes, and treating the filter with denaturing solution (0.5M NaOH, 1.5M NaCl), neutralization buffer (0.5M Tris pH 7.5, 1.5M NaCl) and 2X SSC (3M NaCl, 0.35M sodium citrate pH 7.0) for two minutes each. The filters were dried for thirty minutes at room temperature and then baked for two hours at 80°C in a vacuum oven.

B. Generation of Probe:

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A guinea pig PH30 beta cDNA was isolated by RT-PCR (reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction) as a 1020 bp (base pairs), HindIII/Bam HI fragment, containing 94% of the coding 15 sequence. This fragment was subcloned into pBluescript SK+ vector (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) and verified by sequence analysis. A probe was made by nick translating the purified 1020 bp guinea pig PH30 beta fragment. The filters were probed at 42°C for fifteen hours in hybridization solution (7mM Tris pH 7.5, 40% formamide, 4X SSC, 20 0.8X Denhard's, 20 µg/ml of salmon sperm DNA and 10% Dextran sulfate) containing 106 cpm (counts per minute)/ml of the labeled probe. The filters were washed twice at room temperature for fifteen minutes each with 2X SSC/0.2% SDS (sodium dodecyl sulfate), then twice at room temperature with 0.2X SSC/0.1%SDS, then once at 42°C 25 for 30 minutes with 0.1X SSC/0.1%SDS. The filters were exposed to XAR film (Eastman Kodak Co, Rochester, NY) for 15 hours. The positive plagues were picked into 1 ml of SM (0.1M NaCl, 10mM Magnesium Sulphate, 2% gelatin, 50mM Tris pH 7.5) and screened again as described above. After four rounds of screening, the purified 30 plaques were obtained.

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Purified plaques of mouse testicular library were subcloned into pBluescript SK+ vector using the EX ASSIT helper phage and SOLR cells (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA). DNA from the purified plaques of human testicular library was isolated using light PLG 2 tubes and following manufacturer's (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA) directions. The DNA was then digested with the restriction enzyme EcoRI and ligated into pBluescript SK+ and was used to transform competent <u>E. coli</u> strain HB101 cells.

10 C. DNA Sequencing and Analysis:

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Cloned inserts were sequenced on both strands using the Sequenase kit (United States Biochemical, Cleveland, Ohio). Sequences were analyzed by searching GeneBank and EMBL DNA sequence database using the FASTA program (University of Wisconsin, Genetics Computer Group) and sequence comparisons were done using the GAP program.

D. Characterization of cDNA Clones:

The screening of the mouse testicular library with a 1020 bp guinea pig PH30 beta probe resulted in the isolation of a 1.7 kb (kilo base pair) cDNA clone. This cDNA clone contains a 1371 nucleotide open reading frame and a 329 nucleotide 3' untranslated region. When mature parts of the guinea pig and mouse PH30 beta were compared, the mouse PH30 beta clone showed a maximum of 63% identity to guinea pig PH30 beta at the nucleotide level. The amino terminal 103 residues of the deduced 457 amino acid sequence represents the precursor regions of the mouse PH30 beta that are cleaved off at sperm maturation. At the amino acid level the mature mouse, and guinea pig PH30 betas were 54% identical with all the cysteines lining up.

The human testicular cDNA library screening identified a 2.331 kb cDNA which contains an open reading frame of 1959 nucleotides and 372 nucleotide 3' untranslated region. The human PH30

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beta clone was 63 and 67% identical in its open reading frame to mouse and guinea pig PH30 beta genes, respectively. Comparison of the derived 653 amino acid sequence with the mouse and guinea pig PH30 beta indicates that the amino terminal 299 represents the precursor and carboxy terminal 354 amino acids represent the mature part of human PH30 beta respectively. The amino acid sequence of the mature human PH30 beta was 54% homologous to mature guinea pig and mouse PH30 beta proteins.

Protein sequence comparison of mouse and human PH30 beta to guinea pig PH30 beta and snake venom disintegrins indicated significant homology. This analysis revealed similar structural organization and indicated the presence of metalloprotease and disintegrin domains in these proteins.

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Metalloprotease domains of mouse and human PH30 beta shared significant similarity with the metalloprotease domains of guinea pig PH30 beta but less similarity to the metalloprotease domain of guinea pig PH30 alpha or other disintegrins. The active site signature sequence of zinc-dependent metalloproteases is present in PH30 alpha and the snake venom disintegrins, Jararhagin and Trigramin.

[Wolfsberg, T.G., et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 90: 10783-10797 (1993)]. Similar to guinea pig PH30 beta, the mouse and human metalloprotease domain lacks the active site signature sequence and both were 80% identical to guinea pig PH30 beta and only 30% identical to guinea pig PH30 alpha metalloprotease active site sequence. Human and guinea pig PH30 beta metalloprotease domains were 60% identical.

Similar to guinea pig PH30 beta, the mouse and human PH30 beta also contain a disintegrin domain. The disintegrin domain in mouse PH30 beta contains 91 amino acids (residues 111-202) and in human, 93 amino acids (residues 299-392). Most disintegrins of snake venom contain a consensus integrin binding sequence RGD. Another family of snake venom disintegrins that are linked to a carboxyl terminus cysteine rich domain, lack the RGD tripeptide but contain a

unique tripeptide and adjacent cysteine. Guinea pig, mouse and human PH30 beta proteins also do not contain RGD tripeptide and share more similarity with this later family of disintegrins. These snake venom disintegrins and disintegrin domains of guinea pig, mouse and human PH30 beta contain a negatively charged residue at the carboxyl end of the tripeptide sequence. The integrin binding sequence of guinea pig PH30 beta is TDE. One skilled in the art would have expected that the integrin binding site of PH30 beta of other mammalian species would also be TDE. However, after isolation of human and mouse PH30 beta, it was found that this was not the case. It was unexpectedly discovered that the critical sequence at the integrin binding site was not conserved. Comparisons of guinea pig, mouse and human PH30 beta disintegrin domains showed significant variation in their putative integrin binding sequences although the carboxy terminus end of these domains were identical. The putative integrin binding residues in PH30 beta were QDE in mouse and FEE in human. These differences in the integrin binding sequences between species were an unexpected and surprising finding.

Both mouse and human PH30 beta contain an epidermal growth factor like repeat and a transmembrane domain that are 60% identical to similar regions of guinea pig PH30 beta.

EXAMPLE 2

25 Cloning of the 5' end of Mouse and Human PH30 Beta

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The 5' ends of mouse and human PH30 beta were cloned using the Gibco BRL "5' RACE System for Rapid Amplification of cDNA Ends" and following manufacturer's protocols. 2 oligonucleotides were synthesized for each template. Oligo 1 was an antisense primer and Oligo 2 was also an antisense primer, internal to oligo 1, and contained in the CAU sequences on the 5' end to facilitate cloning. Oligo 1 was annealed to mouse or human testis mRNA and a

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cDNA copy was made using SuperScript II Reverse Transcriptase. The mRNA template was degraded with Rnase H. The single strands cDNA copy was purified with GlassMAX Spin columns and was then tailed on the 3' end with dCTP and terminal transferase. The tailed cDNA copy was then amplified using a supplied anchor primer that contains the 5'CAU cloning site and oligo 2. The amplification system was Taq polymerase. The amplified product was then gel purified, treated with Uracil DNA Glycosylase, subcloned into the vector pAMP1 and then transformed into competent E. coli DH5 cells. Colonies were identified which had subcloned fragment and these colonies were sequenced as described previously.

The complete mouse cDNA sequence and the deduced amino acid sequence of the mouse PH30 beta protein is shown in SEQ ID NO: 5 and SEQ ID NO: 6. The complete human cDNA sequence and the deduced amino acid sequence of the human PH30 beta protein is shown in SEQ ID NO: 7 and SEQ ID NO: 8.

At the nucleotide level, the complete human PH30 beta shares 68% identity with mouse and 68.6% identity with guinea pig PH30 beta, respectively. Mouse and guinea pig DNA sequences are 65.5% identical. The amino acid sequence of the human PH30 beta is 58.9% identical to mouse and 56.5% identical to guinea pig PH30 beta. At the amino acid level, the mouse and guinea pig PH30 beta are 55.2% identical.

EXAMPLE 3

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Contraceptive Vaccination by the Administration of PH30 beta Protein

Female or male mice (about 7 weeks old at the time of first injection) receive two injections of PH30 beta in the amounts stated below. Recombinant or native PH30 beta, purified from cell line or sperm by mAb-affinity chromatography or biochemical methods, shows at least 90% purity (i.e., no more than 10% detectable contaminants) using silver-staining of purified protein on SDS gels. Purity of each

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PH30 preparation used for immunization of females or males is verified by SDS polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis and silver staining. The affinity-purified PH30 beta, in 0.375 ml phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) containing 3 mM octyglucoside (OG) is emulsified with 0.375 ml complete Freund's adjuvant (CFA). Each animal receives 0.1 ml of the emulsion subcutaneously in the back and 0.05 ml intramuscularly in a rear leg. About 3 weeks later, the same amount of PH30 beta in PBS and 3 mM OG is emulsified with incomplete Freund's adjuvant (IFA), and is injected in the same sites in each animal. Control females and males receive the same injections on the same schedule and containing PBS and 3 mM OG and CFA or IFA, but lacking PH30 beta. To allow the injected females to mate, about 6 weeks after the initial injection they are housed with males for 10 days. Each cage contains one male (13 weeks old), one PH30 beta immunized female, and from 2-4 control injected females. 24 hours after the grouping, females are checked visually daily for the vaginal plugs. Two weeks after the initiation of the mating the, females are removed into individual cages. After three weeks the pregnant females having litters and progeny are counted. To allow the injected males to mate, about six weeks after the initial injection, each injected male is housed with two females (10-13 weeks) for 10 days. The females and males are then separated and after an additional 3 weeks pups are counted.

EXAMPLE 4

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Use of PH30 Disintegrin Peptides as Inhibitor of Sperm Fusion to Egg Plasma Membrane

Peptides from the PH30 β disintegrin domain are tested for inhibition of sperm binding to the egg plasma membrane.

The fusion inhibition assay is carried out as follows. Young female mice (8-10 weeks of age) are injected with 5 units of pregnant mare's serum (PMS) in 0.9 NaCl intraperitoneally. 48 hours later, the

mice are injected IP with 5 units of hCG (human chorionic gonadotrophin) in 0.9% NaCl to trigger super ovulation. 14-16 hours after hCG injection, the ovulated oocytes are collected and treated with hyaluronidase to remove cumulus cells. The zona pellucida is removed with a mixture of proteases. The zona pellucida free eggs are incubated in culture media with peptide at a specified concentration for 30 minutes [Hogan, B., et al., Manipulating The Mouse Embryo, 91-101, (1986)]. Sperm collected from the epididymis of male mice is capacitated by incubation and acrosome reacted as described by Fleming and Yanagimachi [Gamete Res. 4, 253-273 (1981)] and added to the eggs and incubated for 15 minutes. The eggs are then transferred to a sperm free culture medium and incubated for an additional 1 hour and 45 minutes. The eggs are then fixed and stained as described by Primakoff.

free culture medium and incubated for an additional 1 hour and 45 minutes. The eggs are then fixed and stained as described by Primakoff et al., [J. Cell. Biol. 104, 141 (1987)]. The total number of swollen sperm heads are then counted. Swollen sperm heads are an indication that the sperm and egg have fused.

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On the basis of these observations, several indices are calculated. The fertilization index (F.I.) is determined by dividing the total number of swollen heads by the total number of eggs. The fertilization rate (F.R.) is the percentage of eggs fertilized. The percent inhibition is determined by dividing the fertilization index of the experimental peptide by the fertilization index of the control peptide.

The PH30 β disintegrin domain represents an epitope which is critical in sperm-egg fusion. Antibodies which bind specifically to this epitope block sperm/egg fusion.

EXAMPLE 5

Use of PH30 beta to Identify Small Molecules that will disrupt sperm-egg Interaction and Fertilization

A. Identification of PH30 beta receptor antagonists:

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Identification of compounds that specifically interfere with the binding of PH30 to their receptor on the egg, has been limited due to unavailability of the sufficient quantities of PH30 protein and normal human eggs. The availability of the rPH30 beta facilitates the identification and cloning of PH30 beta receptor integrin cDNAs. These PH30 beta receptors cDNAs are used to generate recombinant PH30 beta receptors. The alternative source of PH30 beta receptors facilitates identification of substances that affect the binding of PH30 beta to its receptors.

Using conventional methods, the Chinese Harnster Ovary cells are transfected with cDNAs encoding the PH30 beta receptor to produce a stable transformed cell which expresses human PH30 beta receptor integrin in large quantities. Such a transformed cell provides a consistent source of recombinant PH30 beta receptors and is useful in the characterization of the binding of PH30 beta to its receptor and for establishing assays to screen for compounds that inhibit PH30 binding to its receptor.

Selectivity of the compounds to PH30 beta receptor is examined by using cell lines that express other integrin receptors that contain the same beta subunit and closely related alpha chain. Compounds that specifically inhibit PH30 beta/receptor interaction are tested further in biological assays, like inhibition of sperm-egg fusion assay and egg cortical granule release assay to determine their efficacy in inhibiting fertilization.

B. Protocol for PH30 beta antagonist screen:

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Cells expressing PH30 beta receptor are treated with

extraction buffer (50 mM Tris pH 7.6, 100 mM n-Octyl β-DGlucopyranoside, 150 mM NaCl, 1 mM MgCl₂ and 1 mM CaCl₂) and
soluble material is separated by centrifugation and stored frozen at -80 °C.

In an assay tube the 15 μl water, 80 μl of assay buffer (125 mM Tris pH
7.6, 187.5 mM NaCl, 1.25 mM CaCl₂, 1.25 mM MgCl₂ and 1.25%BSA)

and 5 μl of sample compound or control (40 μM of cold PH30 beta) are
added and mixed with 50 μl of ¹²⁵I-PH30 beta (final concentration 40 pM)
and 50 μl of cell extract (final protein concentration 250 μg/ml). The tubes

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are incubated at room temperature for 1 hour. Following incubation the samples are harvested using Tomtec Mach II- 6x 16 cell harvester and printed filtermat cat. # 1205-404. Filters are dried and counted in LKB/Wallac Beta Plate counter.

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Calculations and Interpretations:

% Inhibition = <u>CPMavg total binding - CPMavg sample</u> X100
CPMavg total binding - CPMavg positive control

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When % inhibition > 60 and the inhibition is dose related, the sample will be considered active.

C. Sperm-Oocyte fusion assay:

Young female mice (approximately 8-10 weeks of age) are injected with 5 units of pregnant mare's serum (PMS) in 0.9 NaCl intraperitoneally. 48 hours later, the mice are injected IP with 5 units of hCG (human chorionic gonadotrophin) in 0.9% NaCl to trigger super ovulation. 14-16 hours after hCG injection, the ovulated oocytes are collected and treated with hyaluronidase to remove cumulus cells. Zona pellucida is removed by treating eggs briefly with 0.1 mg/ml of chymotrypsin. Oocytes are washed with Hepes buffered culture medium and are loaded with a fluorescent stain 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole dihydrochloride (DAPI) by incubating at 37°C for 30 minutes. Oocytes are then washed with medium and incubated with rPH30 beta or inhibitor compound for 30 minutes followed by another 30 minute incubation with 1x10⁴ sperms that have been previously capacitated by incubating with calcium ionophore. After incubation, the oocytes are washed, mounted and examined by light microscopy and scored for the presence of fluorescent swollen sperm heads with associated tails in cytoplasm.

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Fertilization rate = <u>number of eggs fused</u> X100 (results expressed as % number of eggs tested fertilization)

In the absence of any inhibitor > 90% oocytes are fertilized. When the sperm-oocyte fusion is inhibited >60% and the inhibition is dose related the compound will be considered active.

While the invention has been described and illustrated with reference to certain preferred embodiments thereof, those skilled in the art will appreciate that various changes, modifications and substitutions can be made therein without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. It is intended, therefore, that the invention be limited only by the scope of the claims which follow and that such claims be interpreted as broadly as is reasonable.

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 457 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:
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- Lys Asn Tyr Ala Gly Gly Val Ala Leu His Pro Lys Ala Val Thr Leu 20 25 30
- Glu Ser Leu Ala Ile Ile Leu Val Gln Leu Leu Ser Leu Ser Met Gly 35 40 45
- Leu Ala Tyr Asp Asp Val Asn Lys Cys Gln Cys Gly Val Pro Val Cys 50 60
- Val Met Asn Pro Glu Ala Pro His Ser Ser Gly Val Arg Ala Phe Ser 65 70 75 80
- Asn Cys Ser Met Glu Asp Phe Ser Lys Phe Ile Thr Ser Gln Ser Ser 85 90 95
- His Cys Leu Gln Asn Gln Pro Thr Leu Gln Pro Ser Tyr Lys Met Ala 100 105 110
- Val Cys Gly Asn Gly Glu Val Glu Glu Asp Glu Ile Cys Asp Cys Gly 115 120 125
- Lys Lys Gly Cys Ala Glu Met Pro Pro Pro Cys Cys Asn Pro Asp Thr 130 140
- Cys Lys Leu Ser Asp Gly Ser Glu Cys Ser Ser Gly Ile Cys Cys Asn 145 150 155 160
- Ser Cys Lys Leu Lys Arg Lys Gly Glu Val Cys Arg Leu Ala Gln Asp

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Asp	Phe	Phe 195	Val	Gln	Asn	Gly	His 200	Pro	Суѕ	Asp	Asn	Arg 205	Lys	Trp	Ile
Cvs	Ile 210	Asn	Gly	Thr	Суз	Gln 215	Ser	Gly	Glu	Gln	Gln 220	Cys	Gln	Asp	Leu
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C <u>'</u> 's	Lys 370	Arg	Met	Lys	Asp	Ser 375	Tyr	Pro	Gly	Gly	380 Ser	Ile	Asp	Ser	Gly
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Ph⊕	Tyr	Val	Val 420	Ile	Leu	Val	Leu	Ile 425	Gly	Met	Leu	Val	Lys 430	Val	Tyr
Ser	Gln	Arg 435	Met	Lys	Trp	Arg	Met 440	Asp	Asp	Ph⊖	Ser	Ser 445	Glu	Glu	Gln
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(2)	INFORMATION	FOR	SEQ	ID	NO:5:
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123	CHOTTHNON	CHARACTERISTICS:
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- (A) LENGTH: 2553 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii: MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 17..2221

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														TCT Ser		43 3

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						GAC Asp		_	529
						CAC His		GAA Glu	57*
						ATC Ile 200			625
						GGA Gly			673
						TCT Ser			721
						GAT Asp			769
						CTT Leu			817
						ACT Thr 280			865
						AAC Asn			913
						TCA Ser			961
						GCG Ala			1009
						ATG Met			1057
			Val			TGC Cys			1105

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GAC Asp	TTT Phe 365	TCC Ser	AAG Lys	TTT Phe	ATC Ile	ACA Thr 370	AGT Ser	CAA Gln	AGC Ser	TCC Ser	CAC His 375	TGT Cys	CTG Leu	CAG Gln	AAC Asn	1153
CAG Gln 380	CCA Pro	ACG Thr	CTA Leu	CAG Gln	CCA Pro 385	TCT Ser	TAC Tyr	AAG Lys	ATG Met	GCG Ala 390	GTC Val	TGT Cys	GGG Gly	AAT Asn	GGA Gly 395	1201
GAG Glu	GTG Val	GAA Glu	GAA Glu	GAT Asp 400	GAA Glu	ATT Ile	TGC Cys	GAC Asp	TGT Cys 405	GGA Gly	AAG Lys	AAG Lys	GGC Gly	TGT Cys 410	GCA Ala	1249
GAA Glu	ATG Met	CCC Pro	CCG Pro 415	CCA Pro	TGC Cys	TGT Cys	AAC Asn	CCC Pro 420	GAC Asp	ACC Thr	TGT Cys	AAG Lys	CTG Leu 425	TCA Ser	GAT Asp	1297
GGC Gly	TCC Ser	GAG Glu 430	TGC Cys	TCC Ser	AGC Ser	GGG Gly	ATA Ile 435	TGC Cys	TGC Cys	AAC Asn	TCG Ser	TGC Cys 440	AAG Lys	CTG Leu	AAG Lys	1345
CGG Arg	AAA Lys 445	GGG Gly	GAG Glu	GTT Val	TGC Cys	AGG Arg 450	CTT Leu	GCC Ala	CAA Gln	GAT Asp	GAG Glu 455	TGT Cys	GAT Asp	GTC Val	ACA Thr	1393
GAG Glu 460	TAC Tyr	TGC Cys	AAC Asn	GGC Gly	ACA Thr 465	TCC Ser	GAA Glu	GTG Val	TGT Cys	GAA Glu 470	GAC Asp	TTC Phe	TTT Phe	GTT Val	CAA Gln 475	1441
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GGC Gly	TTT Phe	GGT Gly 510	TCA Ser	AGT Ser	GAA Glu	TGT Cys	TTC Phe 515	TGG Trp	GAG Glu	CTG Leu	AAT Asn	TCC Ser 520	AAG Lys	AGC Ser	GAC Asp	1585
ATA Ile	TCT Ser 525	GGG Gly	AGC Ser	TGT Cys	GGA Gly	ATC Ile 530	TCT Ser	GCT Ala	GGG Gly	GGA Gly	TAC Tyr 535	AAG Lys	GAA Glu	TGC Cys	CCA Pro	1633
CCT Pro 540	AAT Asn	GAC Asp	CGG Arg	ATG Met	TGT Cys 545	GGG Gly	AAA Lys	ATA Ile	ATA Ile	TGT Cys 550	AAA Lys	TAC Tyr	CAA Gln	AGT Ser	GAA Glu 555	1681
AAT Asn	ATA Ile	CTA Leu	AAA Lys	TTG Leu 560	AGG Arg	TCT Ser	GCC Ala	ACT Thr	GTT Val 565	ATT Ile	TAT Tyr	GCC Ala	AAT Asn	ATA Ile 570	AGC Ser	1729
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			CAA Gln													1873
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			GAC Asp													1969
			CCT Pro 655													2017
			CCT Pro													2065
			TGG Trp													2113
			ATT Ile													2161
			GAT Asp													2209
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TAC	TATO	TG T	rgtai	TATT?	TC	CATA	OTAA!	AT1	TACI	TGT	AAGA	AATO	AA 1	rgati	ATGAA	2441
TTTC	CATAT	TA T	racti	rtgat	רד אי	TTAC	CCT	A TTI	CTGG	TAG	TCGG	TAGI	CA 1	CAAT	TGTAT	2501
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 735 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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Pro 305	Lys	Ala	Val	Thr	Leu 310	Glu	Ser	Leu	Ala	Ile 315	Ile	Leu	Val	Gln	Leu 320
Leu	Ser	Leu	Ser	Met 325	Gly	Leu	Ala	Tyr	Asp 330	Asp	Val	Asn	Lys	Cys 335	Gln
Суѕ	Gly	Val	Pro 340	Val	Cys	Val	Met	Asn 345	Pro	Glu	Ala	Pro	His 350	Ser	Ser
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Cys	Arg 450	Ŀ÷u	Ala	Gln	Asp	Glu 455	Cys	Asp	Val	Thr	Glu 460	Tyr	Cvs	Asn	Gly
Thr 465	Ser	Glu	Val	Cys	Glu 470	Asp	Phe	Phe	Val	Gln 475	Asn	Gly	His	Pro	Cys 480
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Gln	Gln	Cys	Gln 500	Asp	Leu	Phe	Gly	Ile 505	Asp	Ala	Gly	Phe	Gly 510	Ser	Ser
Glu	Cys	Ph⊖ 515	Trp	Glu	Leu	Asn	Ser 520	Lys	Ser	Asp	Ile	Ser 525	Gly	Ser	Cys
Gly	11e 530	Ser	Ala	Gly	Gly	Тут 535	Lys	Glu	Cys	Pro	Pro 540	Asn	Asp	Arg	Met
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Cys Val Ala Asp Thr Phe Leu Gly Tyr Asp Cys Asn Leu Glu Lys Cys 610 615 620

Asn His His Gly Val Cys Asn Asn Lys Lys Asn Cys His Cys Asp Pro 625 630 635 640

Thr Tyr Leu Pro Pro Asp Cys Lys Arg Met Lys Asp Ser Tyr Pro Gly
645 650 655

Gly Ser Ile Asp Ser Gly Asn Lys Glu Arg Ala Glu Pro Ile Pro Val 660 665 670

Arg Pro Tyr Ile Ala Ser Arg Tyr Arg Ser Lys Ser Pro Arg Trp Pro 675 680 685

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Phe Ser Ser Glu Glu Gln Phe Glu Ser Glu Ser Glu Ser Lys Asp 725 730 735

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 2650 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 - (B) LOCATION: 72..2273
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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Met Trp Val Leu Phe Leu Leu Ser Gly Leu Gly Gly Leu

740

745

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TAC Tyr	AAA Lys	ATT Ile	GTA Val	ATT 11e 785	GAA Glu	GGG Gly	AAA Lys	CCA Pro	TAT Tyr 790	ACT Thr	GTG Val	AAT Asn	TTA Leu	ATG Met 795	CAA Gln	254
AAA Lys	AAC Asn	TTT Ph÷	TTA Leu 800	CCC Pro	CAT His	AAT Asn	TTT Phe	AGA Arg 805	GTT Val	TAC Tyr	AGT Ser	TAT Tyr	AGT Ser 310	GGC Gly	ACA Thr	302
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CAA Gln	GGG Gly 830	TAT Tyr	ATT Ile	GAA Glu	GGT Gly	TAT Tyr 835	CCA Pro	AAA Lys	TCT Ser	GTG Val	GTG Val 840	ATG Met	GTT Val	AGC Ser	ACA Thr	398
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						GAT Asp										542
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ACA Thr	TCT Ser 990	TAT Tyr	CTT Leu	GTT Val	TTA Leu	CGT Arg 995	CCT Pro	CAT His	GAT Asp	GTG Val	GCA Ala 1000	Phe	TTA Leu	CTT Leu	GTT Val	878
TAC Tyr 1005	Arg	GAA Glu	AAG Lys	TCA Ser	AAT Asn 1010	Tyr	GTT Val	GGT Gly	GCA Ala	ACC Thr 1019	Phe	CAA Gln	GGG Gly	AAG Lys	ATG Met 1020	926
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AGT Ser	CTG Leu	GAA Glu	TCA Ser 104	Leu	GCA Ala	GTT Val	ATT	TTA Leu 1049	Ala	CAA Gln	TTA Leu	TTG Leu	AGC Ser 105	Leu	AGT Ser	1022
ATG Met	GGG Gly	ATC Ile 1059	Thr	TAT Tyr	GAT Asp	GAC Asp	ATT Ile 1060	Asn	AAA Lys	TGC Cys	CAG Gln	TGC Cys 106	Ser	GGA Gly	GCT Ala	1070
GTC Val	TGC Cys 1070	Ile	ATG Met	AAT Asn	CCA Pro	GAA Glu 1079	Ala	ATT Ile	CAT His	TTC Phe	AGT Ser 1080	Gly	GTG Val	AAG Lys	ATC Ile	1118
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AAG Lys	TCC Ser	CAG Gln	TGT Cys	CTT Leu 110	His	AAT Asn	CAG Gln	CCT Pro	CGC Arg 111	Leu	GAT Asp	CCT Pro	TTT Phe	TTC Phe 1115	Lys	1214
CAG Gln	CAA Gln	GCA Ala	GTG Val 112	Cys	GGT Gly	AAT Asn	GCA Ala	AAG Lys 112	Leu	GAA Glu	GCA Ala	GGA Gly	GAG Glu 1130	Glu	TGT Cys	1262
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CCA Pro 1165	Cys	TGC Cys	GAA Glu	AAC Asn	TGT Cys 117	Leu	TTT Phe	ATG Met	TCA Ser	AAA Lys 1179	Glu	AGA Arg	ATG Met	TGT Cys	AGG Arg 1180	1406
CCT Pro	TCC Ser	TTT Phe	GAA Glu	GAA Glu 118	Cys	GAC Asp	CTC Leu	CCT Pro	GAA Glu 119	Tyr	TGC Cys	AAT Asn	GGA Gly	TCA Ser 1195	Ser	1454

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	 AAT AAC AAA Asn Asn Lys				
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	ATT GAG AAC Ile Glu Asn 1410	Ile Tyr			

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ATT Ile	GCT Ala	ATA Ile	ATG Met 1440	Val	AAA Lys	GTT Val	AAT Asn	TTC Phe 1445	Gln	AGG Arg	AAA Lys	AAA Lys	TGG Trp 145	Arg	ACT Thr		2222
GAG Glu	GAC Asp	TAT Tyr 145	Ser	AGC Ser	GAT Asp	GAG Glu	CAA Gln 1460	Pro	GAA Glu	AGT Ser	GÁG Glu	AGT Ser 1469	Glu	CCT Pro	AAA Lys		2270
GGG Gly	TAGT	rctgo	GAC A	AACAG	GAGA:	rg co	CATG!	ATATO	C ACT	TCTT	TCTA	GAGT	raat'	ГАТ			2323
CTGT	GATO	GA (TGGA	CACA	AA AA	YTAAA	GAA/	A GAZ	AAAG?	AATG	TACA	ATTAC	CT (GGTT	CCTG	G	2383
GAT?	CAAZ	ACC 1	TGCA'	TATT	ST G	ATTT?	TAAT:	r TG?	ACCAC	AAA	ATAT	GAT	ATA 1	ratgi	AATAT	T	2443
TTC	ACAG	ATA A	ATTT	ACTT?	AT T	TAAA7	AATG	C ATC	SATA	ATGA	GTTT	TAC	ATT I	ACAA	ATTTC	T	2503
GTT?	r TTT T	CAA A	AGTT	ATCT:	ra co	GCTA?	rttc:	r GTT	rggti	ragt	AGAC	CACTA	AAT !	rctgi	CAGT	'A	2563
GGGG	CATO	GT I	ATAA	GGAA	AT A	rcat?	AATG:	CAA T	rgago	TGG	TACT	TATG	ATT I	AAAA	CCAC	T	2623
GTT	ACATT	TTC I	AAAA	AAAA.	AA A	AAAA	A.A										2650

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 734 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid

 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

Met Trp Val Leu Phe Leu Leu Ser Gly Leu Gly Gly Leu Arg Met Asp

Ser Asn Phe Asp Ser Leu Pro Val Gln Ile Thr Val Pro Glu Lys Ile

Arg Ser Ile Ile Lys Glu Gly Ile Glu Ser Gln Ala Ser Tyr Lys Ile

Val Ile Glu Gly Lys Pro Tyr Thr Val Asn Leu Met Gln Lys Asn Phe 55

Leu Pro His Asn Phe Arg Val Tyr Ser Tyr Ser Gly Thr Gly Ile Met 65 70 75 80 65

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Lys	Pro	Leu	Asp	Gln 85	Asp	Phe	Gln	Asn	Phe 90	Cys	His	Tyr	Gln	Gly 95	Tyr
Ile	Glu	Gly	Tyr 100	Pro	Lys	Ser	Val	Val 105	Met	Val	Ser	Thr	Cys 110		Gly
Leu	Arg	Gly 115	Val	Leu	Gln	Phe	Glu 120	Asn	Val	Ser	Tyr	Gly 125		Glu	Pro
Leu	Glu 130	Ser	Ser	Val	Gly	Phe 135	Glu	His	Val	Ile	Tyr 140	Gln	Val	Lys	His
Lys 145	Lys	Alā	Asp	Va1	Ser 150	Leu	Tyr	Asn	Glu	Lys 155	Asp	Ile	Glu	Ser	Arg 160
Asp	Leu	Ser	Phe	L ys 1 65	Leu	Gln	Ser	Ala	Glu 170	Pro	Gln	Gln	Asp	Phe 175	Ala
Lys	Тут	Ile	Glu 180	Met	His	Val	Ile	Val 185	Glu	Lys	Gln	Leu	Туг 190	Asn	His
Met	Gly	Ser 195	Asp	Thr	Thr	Val	Val 200	Ala	Gln	Lys	Val	Phe 205	Gln	Leu	Ile
Gly	Leu 210	Thr	Asn	Ala	Ile	Phe 215	Val	Ser	Phe	Asn	11e 220	Thr	Ile	Ile	Leu
Ser 225	Ser	Leu	Glu	Leu	Trp 230	Ile	Asp	Glu	Asn	Lys 235	Ile	Ala	Thr	Thr	Gly 240
Glu	Ala	Asn	Glu	Leu 245	Leu	His	Thr	Phe	Leu 250	Arg	Trp	Lys	Thr	Ser 255	Tyr
Leu	Va1	Leu	Arg 260	Pro	His	Asp	Val	Ala 265	Phe	Leu	Leu	Val	Tyr 270	Arg	Glu
Lys	Ser	Asn 275	Tyr	Val	Gly	Ala	Thr 280	Phe	Gln	Gly	Lys	Met 285	Cys	Asp	Ala
Asn	Tyr 290	Ala	Gly	Gly	Val	Val 295	Leu	His	Pro	Arg	Thr 300	Ile	Ser	Leu	Glu
Ser 305	Leu	Ala	Val	Ile	Leu 310	Ala	Gln	Leu	Leu	Ser 315	Leu	Ser	Met	Gly	Ile 320
Thr	Туг	Asp	Asp	Ile 325	Asn	Lys	Cys	Gln	Cys 330	Ser	Gly	Ala	Va1	Cys 335	Ile
Met	Asn	Pro	G1u 340	Ala	Ile	His	Phe	Ser 345	Gly	Val	Lys	Ile	Phe 350	Ser	Asn
Cys	Ser	Phe 355	Glu	Asp	Phe	Ala	His 360	Phe	Ile	Ser	Lys	G1n 365	Lys	Ser	Gln
Cys	Leu 370	His	Asn	Gln		Arg 375	Leu	Asp	Pro	Phe	Phe 380	Lys	Gln	Gln	Ala

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Val 385	Cys	Gly	Asn	Ala	Lys 390	Leu	Glu	Ala	Gly	Glu 395	Glu	Cys	Asp	Cys	Gly 400
Thr	Glu	Gln	Asp	Cys 405	Ala	Leu	Ile	Gly	Glu 410	Thr	Cys	Cys	Asp	Ile 415	Ala
Thr	Cys	Arg	Phe 420	Lys	Ala	Gly	Ser	Asn 425	Cys	Ala	Glu	Gly	Pro 430	Cys	Суѕ
Glu	Asn	Cys 435	Leu	Phe	Met	Ser	Lys 440	Glu	Arg	Met	Суз	Arg 445	Pro	Ser	Phe
Glu	Glu 450	Cys	Asp	Leu	Pro	Glu 455	Tyr	Cys	Asn	Gly	Ser 460	Ser	Ala	Ser	Cys
Pro 465	Glu	Asn	His	Tyr	Val 470	Gln	Thr	Gly	His	Pro 475	Cys	Gly	Leu	Asn	Gln 480
Trp	Ile	Cys	Ile	Asp 485	Gly	Val	Cys	Met	Ser 4 90	Gly	Asp	Lys	Gln	Cys 495	Thr
Asp	Thr	Phe	Gly 500	Lys	Glu	Val	Glu	Phe 505	Gly	Pro	Ser	Glu	Cys 510	Tyr	Ser
His	Leu	Asn 515	Ser	Lys	Thr	Asp	Val 520	Ser	Gly	Asn	Cys	Gly 525	Ile	Ser	Asp
Ser	Gly 530	Tyr	Thr	Gln	Cys	Glu 535	Ala	Asp	Asn	Leu	Gln 540	Cys	Gly	Lys	Leu
Ile 545	Cys	Lys	Tyr	Val	Gly 550	Lys	Phe	Leu	Leu	Gln 555	Ile	Pro	Arg	Ala	Thr 560
Ile	Ile	Ty'r	Ala	Asn 565	Ile	Ser	Gly	His	Leu 570	Cys	Ile	Ala	Va1	Glu 575	Phe
Ala	Ser	Asp	His 580	Ala	Asp	Ser	Gln	Lys 585	Met	Trp	Ile	Lys	Asp 590	Gly	Thr
Ser	Cys	Gl <u>y</u> 595	Ser	Asn	Lys	Val	Cys 600	Arg	Asn	Gln	Arg	Cys 605	Val	Ser	Ser
Ser	Туг 610	Leu	Gly	Tyr	Asp	Cys 6 1 5	Thr	Thr	Asp	Lys	Cys 620	Asn	Asp	Arg	Gly
Val 625	Cys	Asn	Asn	Lys	Lys 630	His	Cys	His	Cys	Ser 635	Ala	Ser	Tyr	Leu	Pro 640
Pro	Asp	Cys	Ser	Val 645	Gln	Ser	Asp	Leu	Trp 650	Pro	Gly	Gly	Ser	Ile 655	Asp
Ser	Gly	Asn	Phe 660	Pro	Pro	Val	Ala	Ile 665	Pro	Ala	Arg	Leu	Pro 670	Glu	Arg

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Arg Tyr Ile Glu Asn Ile Tyr His Ser Lys Pro Met Arg Trp Pro Phe 675 680 685

Phe Leu Phe Ile Pro Phe Phe Ile Ile Phe Cys Val Leu Ile Ala Ile 690 695 700

Met Val Lys Val Asn Phe Gln Arg Lys Lys Trp Arg Thr Glu Asp Tyr 705 710 715 720

Ser Ser Asp Glu Gln Pro Glu Ser Glu Ser Glu Pro Lys Gly 725 730

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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- 1. A sperm protein in substantially pure form selected from a human PH30 beta chain protein, a mouse PH30 beta chain protein or an amino acid sequence substantially homologous to either the human or mouse PH30 beta chain protein.
- 2. The sperm protein of Claim 1, having an integrin binding sequence which is not TDE.
- 3. The sperm protein of Claim 2, wherein the integrin binding sequence is selected from FEE or QDE.
- 4. The sperm protein of Claim 1 which is the human PH30 beta chain protein.
 - 5. The sperm protein of Claim 4, having an integrin binding sequence which is FEE.
- 20 6. A DNA sequence which encodes the sperm protein of Claim 1 or a portion of the sperm protein sufficient to constitute at least one epitope.
- 7. The DNA sequence of Claim 6, wherein the epitope 25 is on the native protein.
 - 8. The DNA sequence of Claim 6 which encodes all or a portion of human PH30 beta chain protein.
- 30 9. The DNA sequence of Claim 8, wherein the DNA encoding all or a portion of the human PH30 beta protein is

characterized by the ability to hybridize, under standard conditions, to the DNA sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.

10. A contraceptive composition comprising a

therapeutically effective amount of the protein of Claim 1, or a
polypeptide having the substantially same amino acid sequence as a
segment of the protein provided that the polypeptide is sufficient to
constitute at least one epitope, and a pharmaceutically acceptable
carrier.

11. The contraceptive composition of Claim 10, wherein the epitope is on the native protein.

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- 12. The contraceptive composition of Claim 10, wherein the protein is the human PH30 beta chain protein.
 - 13. The contraceptive composition of Claim 10, wherein the protein is produced by expressing the gene encoding an immunogenic epitope of the sperm protein in a recombinant DNA expression vector.
 - 14. A vector comprising an inserted DNA sequence encoding for the protein of Claim 1.
- 25 15. The vector of Claim 14, wherein the inserted DNA sequence is characterized by the ability to hybridize, under standard conditions, to a DNA sequence selected from the DNA sequences of SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 30 16. A host that is compatible with and contains the vector of Claim 14.

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17. A method of producing a human or mouse PH30 beta chain sperm protein, comprising the steps of culturing cells containing the DNA of Claim 6 and recovering the sperm protein from the cell culture.

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18. The method of Claim 17, wherein the DNA encoding all or a portion of the PH30 beta chain protein is characterized by the ability to hybridize, under standard conditions, to a DNA sequence selected from the DNA sequences of SEQ ID NO: 1 or SEQ ID NO: 3.

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19. A method of contraception in a human or mouse subject in need thereof, comprising administering to the subject an amount of the sperm protein of Claim 1 which is effective for the stimulation of antibodies which bind to the sperm protein in vivo.

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- 20. The method of Claim 19, wherein the sperm protein has an integrin binding sequence which is not TDE.
- 21. A PH30 beta chain protein made by the process of 20 Claim 17.
 - 22. A DNA sequence as shown in Seq. ID No. 1 encoding human PH30 beta chain protein.
- 23. A purified and isolated DNA sequence consisting essentially of a DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence sufficiently duplicative of that of human or mouse PH30 beta to allow the possession of the biological property of initiating sperm-egg binding or promoting sperm-egg fusion.

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24. The DNA sequence of Claim 23 wherein the amino acid sequence contains an integrin binding sequence which is not TDE.

	10	1/31 30 	. 50	
1	GGCCAAGATTTTCAGAAT	TTCTGCCACTACCAAGGGTATA	ATTGAAGGTTATCCAAAATCT	60
	GlyGlnAspPheGlnAsn	PheCysHisTyrGInGlyTyr	lleGluGlyTyrProLysSer	
	70	90	110	
61	GTGGTGATGGTTAGCACA	ATGTACTGGACTCAGGGGCGTA	CTACAGTTTGAAAATGTTAGT	120
	ValValMetValSerThr	CysThrG1yLeuArgG1yVa1	LeuGinPheGiuAsnValSer	
	130	150	170 	
121	TATGGAATAGAACCCCTG	GGAGTCTTCAGTTGGCTTTGAA	CATGTAATTTACCAAGTAAAA	180
	TyrGlyIleGluProLeu	uG1uSerSerVa1G1yPheG1ul	HisVallleTyrGInValLys	
	190	210	230	
181	CATAAGAAAGCAGATGTT	TTCCTTATATAATGAGAAGGAT	ATTGAATCAAGAGATCTGTCC	240
	HisLysLysAlaAspVal	SerLeuTyrAsnG uLysAsp	eG uSerArgAspLeuSer	
	250	270	290	
241	TTTAAATTACAAAGCGCA	AGAGCCACAGCAAGATTTTGCA	AAGTATATAGAAATGCATGTT	300
	PheLysLeuGInSerAld	oGiuProGinGinAspPheAla	LysTyrIIeGIuMetHisVaI	
	310	330	350	
301	ATAGTTGAAAAACAATTO	GTATAATCATATGGGGTCTGAT.	ACAACTGTTGTCGCTCAAAAA	360
		uTyrAsnHisMetGlySerAsp	ThrThrValValAlaGInLys	

FIG.1A

	370	2/31 390	410	
361	GTTTTCCAGTTGATTGG	ATTGACGAATGCTATTTTTGTT1	CATTTAATATTACAATTATT	420
	VaiPheGinLeuileGi	yLeuThrAsnAlallePheValS	SerPheAsnIleThrllelle	
	430	450	470	
421	CTGTCTTCATTGGAGCT	TTGCATAGATGAAAATAAAATTG	CAACCACTGGAGAAGCTAAT	480
	LeuSerSerLeuGluLe	euTrpIIeAspGIuAsnLysIIeA	NaThrThrG1yG1uA1aAsn	
	490	510	530	
481	GAGTTATTACACACATT	TTTAAGATGGAAAACATCTTATO	CTTGTTTTACGTCCTCATGAT	540
	GluLeuLeuHisThrPh	neLeuArgTrpLysThrSerTyrL	.euVaILeuArgProHisAsp	
	550	570 	590	
541	GTGGCATTTTTACTTGT	TTACAGAGAAAAGTCAAATTATG	TTGGTGCAACCTTTCAAGGG	600
	Va I A I aPheLeuLeuVa	ilTyrArgGluLysSerAsnTyrV	alGlyAlaThrPheGlnGly	
	610	630	650	
601	AAGATGTGTGATGCAAA	CTATGCAGGAGGTGTTGTTCTGC	CACCCCAGAACCATAAGTCTG	660
	LysMetCysAspAlaAs	:nTyrAlaGlyGlyValValLeuH	lisProArgThrIleSerLeu	
	670	690 	710 · · ·	
661	GAATCACTTGCAGTTAT	TTTAGCTCAATTATTGAGCCTTA	GTATGGGGATCACTTATGAT	720
	GluSerLeuAlaValli	eLeuA1aG1nLeuLeuSerLeuS	erMetGlyIIeThrTyrAsp	

FIG.1B

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	730	750 	770	•
721	GACATTAACAAATGCC	AGTGCTCAGGAGCTGTCTGCAT1	TATGAATCCAGAAGCAATTCAT	780
	AsplieAsnLysCysG	InCysSerGlyAlaValCysIle	MetAsnProGluAlalleHis	
	790	810	830	
781	TTCAGTGGTGTGAAGA	TCTTTAGTAACTGCAGCTTCGAA	GACTTTGCACATTTTATTTCA	840
	PheSerGlyValLysI	lePheSerAsnCysSerPheGlu	AspPheAloHisPheIleSer	
	850	870	890	
841	AAGCAGAAGTCCCAGT	GTCTTCACAATCAGCCTCGCTTA	GATCCTTTTTTCAAACAGCAA	900
	LysGInLysSerGInC	ysLeuHisAsnGInProArgLeu	AspProPhePheLysGInGIn	
	910	930	950	
901	GCAGTGTGTGGTAATG	CAAAGCTGGAAGCAGGAGAGGAG	TGTGACTGTGGGACTGAACAG	960
	AlaValCysGlyAsnA	laLysteuGluAlaGlyGluGlu	CysAspCysGlyThrGluGln	
	970	990	1010	
961	GATTGTGCCCTTATTG	GAGAAACATGCTGTGATATTGCC	ACATGTAGATTTAAAGCCGGT	1020
	AspCysAlaLeuIleC	lyGluThrCysCysAsplleAlo	ThrCysArgPheLysA1oG1y	
	1030	1050	1070	
1021	TCAAACTGTGCTGAAG	GACCATGCTGCGAAAACTGTCTA	TTTATGTCAAAAGAAAGAATG	1080
	SerAsnCysAloGluG	lyProCysCysGluAsnCysLeu	PheMetSerLysGluArgMet	

FIG.1C

	1090	4/31 1110	1130	•
1081	TGTAGGCCTTCCTTTGA	AGAATGCGACCTCCCTGAATA	TTGCAATGGATCATCTGCATC	A 1140
	CysArgProSerPheGI	uGluCysAspLeuProGluTy	rCysAsnGlySerSerAlaSe	٢
	1150	1170	1190	
1141	TGCCCAGAAAACCACTA	TGTTCAGACTGGGCATCCGTG	TGGACTGAATCAATGGATCTG	Т 1200
	CysProGluAsnHisTy	rValGInThrGlyHisProCy	sGlyLeuAsnGlnTrpIleCy:	3
	1210	1230	1250	
1201	ATAGATGGAGTTTGTAT	GAGTGGGGATAAACAATGTAC	AGACACATTTGGCAAAGAAGTA	A 1260
	l l eAspG l yVa l CysMe	tSerGlyAspLysGlnCysTh	rAspThrPheG1yLysG1uVa	
	1270	1290	1310	
1261	GAGTTTGGCCCTTCAGA	ATGTTATTCTCACCTTAATTC	AAAGACTGATGTATCTGGAAAC	1320
	GluPheGlyProSerGl	uCysTyrSerHisLeuAsnSe	rLysThrAspVa1SerG1yAsr	1
	1330	1350	1370	
1321	TGTGGTATAAGTGATTC	AGGATACACACAGTGTGAAGC	TGACAATCTGCAGTGCGGAAAA	1380
	CysGlylleSerAspSe	rGlyTyrThrGlnCysGluAl	oAspAsnLeuGInCysGIyLys	i
	1390	1410	1430	
1381	TTAATATGTAAATATGTA	AGGTAAATTTTTATTACAAAT	TCCAAGAGCCACTATTATTTAT	1440
	LeulleCysLysTyrVa	IGTyLysPheLeuLeuGInIT	eProArgAlaThr[le]leTyr	

	1450	5/31 1470	1490	
1441	GCCAACATAAGTGGACA	TCTCTGCATTGCTGTGGAATT	TGCCAGTGATCATGCAGACA	GC 1500
	AlaAsnIleSerGlyHi	sLeuCysIIeAIaVaIGIuPh	eAlaSerAspHisAlaAspS	er
	1510	1530	1550	
1501	CAAAAGATGTGGATAAA	AGATGGAACTTCTTGTGGTTC	AAATAAGGTTTGCAGGAATC	AA 1560
	GInLysMetTrpIleLy	sAspGlyThrSerCysGlySe	rAsnLysVaICysArgAsnG	ln
	1570	1590	1610	•
1561	AGATGTGTGAGTTCTTC	ATACTTGGGTTATGATTGTAC	TACTGACAAATGCAATGATAC	GA 1620
	ArgCysValSerSerSe	rTyrLeuGlyTyrAspCysTh	rThrAspLysCysAsnAspAr	rg
	1630	1650	1670	
1621	GGTGTATGCAATAACAA	AAAGCACTGTCACTGTAGTGC	TTCATATTTACCTCCAGATTC	SC 1680
	GlyValCysAsnAsnLys	sLysHi sCysHi sCysSerA1	oSerTyrLeuProProAspCy	rs
	1690	1710 	1730	
1681	TCAGTTCAATCAGATCTA	ATGGCCTGGTGGGAGTATTGAG	CAGTGGCAATTTTCCACCTGT	A 1740
	SerValGInSerAspLe	uTrpProGlyGlySerlleAsp	oSerG1yAsnPheProProVa	ıl
	1750	1770	1790	
1741	GCTATACCAGCCAGACTO	CCCTGAAAGGCGCTACATTGAC	GAACATTTACCATTCCAAACC	A 1800
	AlalleProAlaArgLeu	uProGluArgArgTyrIleGlu	JAsn] eTyrHisSerLysPr	0

FIG.1E

FIG.1F

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	2170	2190	2210	
2161	TGAGTTTTACATTACA	NATTICIGITITITIAAAGITAT	CTTACGCTATTTCTGTTGGT	T 2220
	2230	2250	2270	
2221	AGTAGACACTAATTCTC	GTCAGTAGGGGCATGGTATAAGG	AAATATCATAATGTAATGAG	G 2280
	2290	2310	2330	
2281	TOCTACTATGATTAAAA	ACCCACTGTTACATTTCAAAAAA	AAAAAAAAA 2330	

FIG.1G

	10	8/31 30	50 .	
1	GGCACGAGCGATTATGTTC	GGCGCTACCTATCAAGGGAAG	Satgtgtgacaagaactatgca	. 60
	GlyThrSerAspTyrVal	GlyAlaThrTyrGlnGlyLys	sMetCysAspLysAsnTyrAla	
	70	90	110	,
61	GGAGGAGTTGCTTTGCACC	CCCAAAGCCGTAACTCTGGAA	ATCACTTGCAATTATTTTAGTT	120
	GlyGlyValAlaLeuHisA	ProLysAloVoIThrLeuGlu	uSerLeuAlaileIieLeuVal	
	130	150	170	
121	CAGCTGCTGAGCCTCAGCA	ATGGGGCTAGCGTATGACGAC	CCTGAACAAGTGCCAGTGTGGC	180
	GInLeuLeuSerLeuSerN	MetG1yLeuA1oTyrAspAsp	oValAsnLysCysGInCysGIy	
	190	210	230	
181	GTACCTGTCTGCGTGATGA	AACCCGGAAGCGCCTCACTCC	CAGCGGTGTCCGGGCCTTCAGT	240
	VaIProValCysValMetA	AsnProGluAloProHisSer	SerGIyVaIArgAIaPheSer	
	250	270	290	
241	AACTGCAGCATGGAGGACT	TTTTCCAAGTTTATCACAAGT	CAAAGCTCCCACTGTCTGCAG	300
	AsnCysSerMetGluAspF	PheSerLysPhelleThrSer	GinSerSerHisCysLeuGin	
	310	330	350	
301	AACCAGCCAACGCTACAGC	CATCTTACAAGATGGCGGTC	TGTGGGAATGGAGAGGTGGAA	360
	AsnGInProThrLeuGInF	ProSerTyrLysMetAloVal	CysGlyAsnGlyGluValGlu	

FIG.2A

	370	9/31 390	410	
361	GAAGATGAAATTTGCGA	CTGTGGAAAGAAGGGCTGTGCA	GAAATGCCCCCCCCATGCTG	آ 420
	GluAspGlulleCysAs	pCysG1yLysLysG1yCysA1a	GluMetProProProCysCys	5
	430	450	470	
421	AACCCCGACACCTGTAA	GCTGTCAGATGGCTCCGAGTGC	TCCAGCGGGATATGCTGCAAC	480
	AsnProAspThrCysLy	sLeuSerAspG1ySerG1uCys	SerSerGlylleCysCysAsr	ì
	490	510 	530	
481	TCGTGCAAGCTGAAGCG	GAAAGGGGAGGTTTGCAGGCTT(GCCCAAGATGAGTGTGATGTC	540
	SerCysLysLeuLysAr	gLysG1yG1uVa1CysArgLeu/	A I aG I nAspG I uCysAspVa i	
	550	570 	590 	
541	ACAGAGTACTGCAACGG	CACATCCGAAGTGTGTGAAGAC	TTCTTTGTTCAAAACGGTCAC	600
	ThrGluTyrCysAsnGl	yThrSerGIuValCysGIuAspI	PhePheValGInAsnGIyHis	
	610	630	650	
601	CCATGTGACAATCGCAA	GTGGATCTGTATTAACGGCACC	TGTCAGAGTGGAGAACAGCAG	660
	ProCysAspAsnArgLy	sTrp[leCys[leAsnGlyThr(CysGInSerGiyGiuGinGIn	
	670	690	710	
661	TGCCAGGATCTATTTGG	CATCGATGCAGGCTTTGGTTCA	AGTGAATGTTTCTGGGAGCTG	720
	CysGInAspLeuPheGI	yIIeAspAIaGIyPheGIySerS	SerGluCysPheTrpGluLeu	

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	730	750 	770	
721	AATTCCAAGAGCGACA	TATCTGGGAGCTGTGGAATCTCT	GCTGGGGGATACAAGGAATGC 7	780
	AsnSerLysSerAspI	leSerGlySerCysGlylleSer	AloGlyGlyTyrLysGluCys	
	790	810	830	
781	CCACCTAATGACCGGA	TGTGTGGGAAAATAATATGTAAA	TACCAAAGTGAAAATATACTA 8	340
	ProProAsnAspArgM	etCysGlyLys1leIleCysLys	TyrGInSerGIuAsn[leLeu	
	850	870 	890	
841	AAATTGAGGTCTGCCA	CTGTTATTTATGCCAATATAAGC	GGGCATGTCTGCGTTTCCCTG 9	00
	LysLeuArgSerAlaT	hrVallleTyrAlaAsnIleSer	GlyHisValCysValSerLeu	
	910	930	950	
901	GAATATCCCCAAGGTC	ATAATGAGAGCCAGAAGATGTGG	GTGAGAGATGGAACCGTCTGC 9	60
	GluTyrProGlnGlyH	isAsnGluSerGInLysMetTrp	ValArgAspGlyThrValCys	
	970	990	1010	
961	GGGTCAAATAAGGTTTG	GCCAGAATCAAAAATGTGTAGCA	GACACTITCTTGGGCTATGAT, 1	020
	GlySerAsnLysValC	ysGInAsnGInLysCysVaIAIa	AspThrPheLeuGlyTyrAsp	
	1030	1050	1070	
1021	TGCAACCTGGAAAAAT	GCAACCACCATGGTGTATGTAAT.	AACAAGAAGAACTGCCACTGT 10	080

FIG.2D

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1570 1590 1610

1561 GATTTACTTGTAAGAAATGAATGATTATGAATTTCATATTATACTTTGATATTTTACCCT 1620

1630 1650 1670

1621 ATTTCTGGTAGTCGGTAGTCATCAATTGTATTTTCTAGTAGGTACATTATAGAAAAGGCT 1680

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1681 ATAAGAAAATAAATGTGGTACCA 1703

FIG.2E

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  GCCCAAGATTTTCAGAATTTCTGCCACTACCAAGGGTATATTGAAGGTTATCCAAAATCT
  CCGGTTCTAAAAGTCTTAAAGACGGTGATGGTTCCCATATAACTTCCAATAGGTTTTAGA
                 В
                 S
                Ap N
                fL
                        BH
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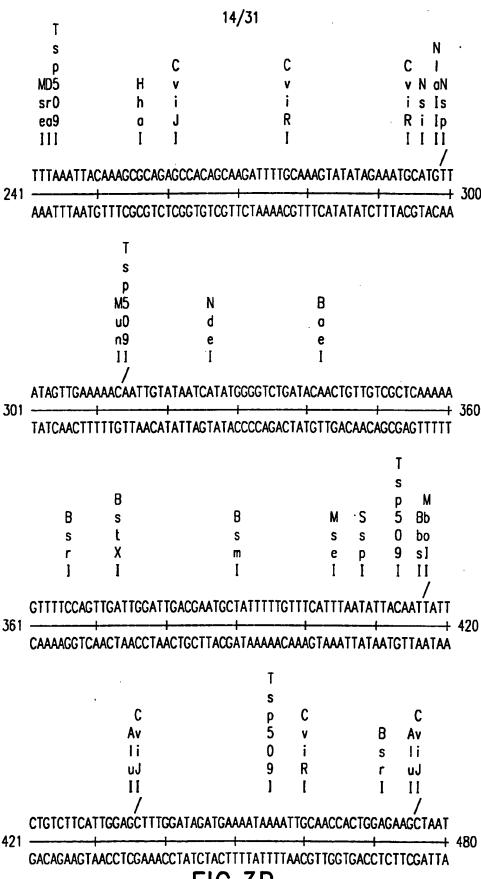


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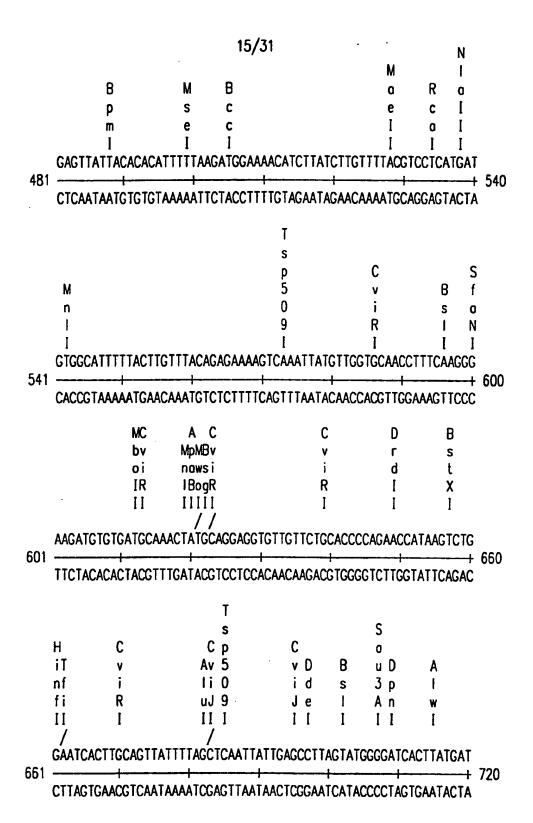


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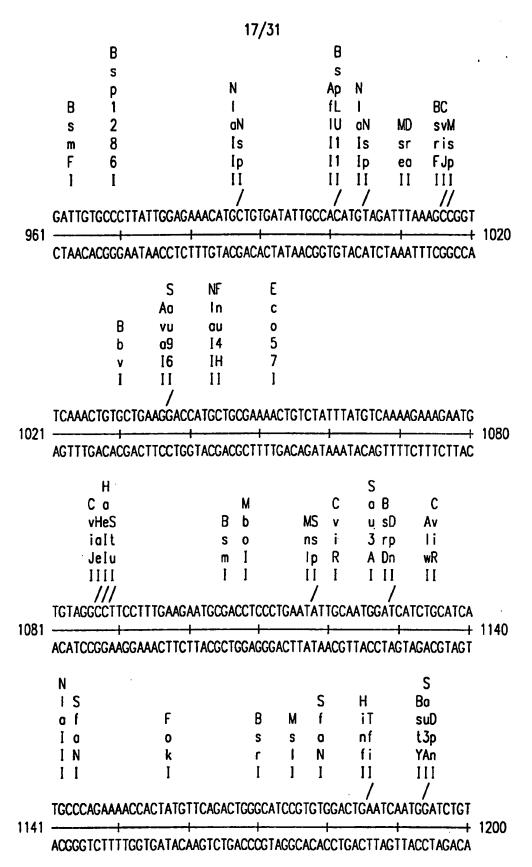


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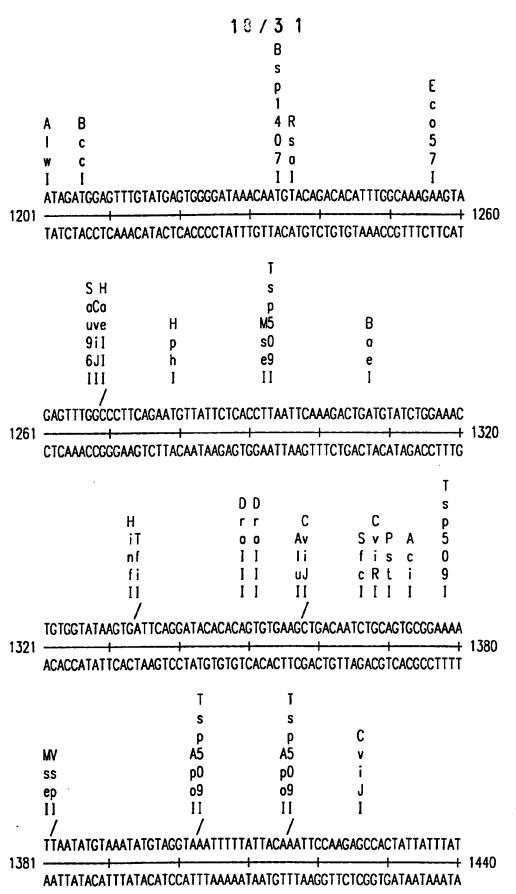


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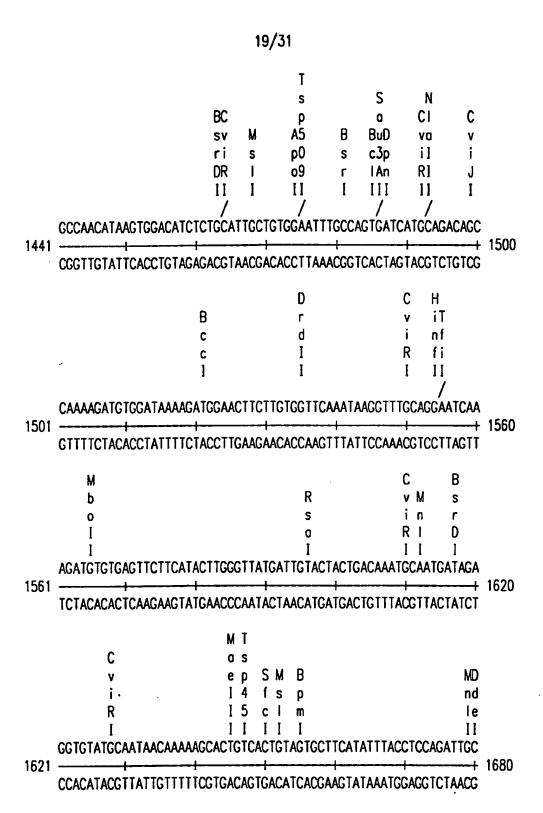


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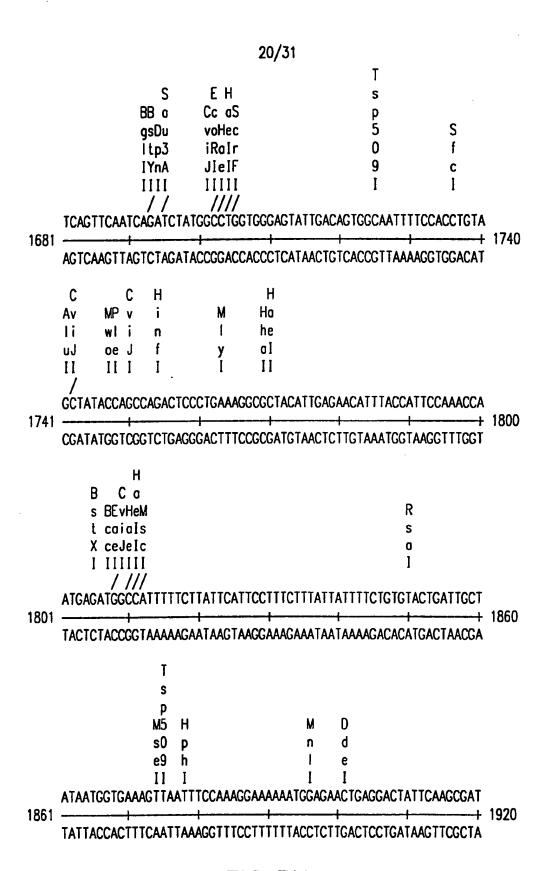


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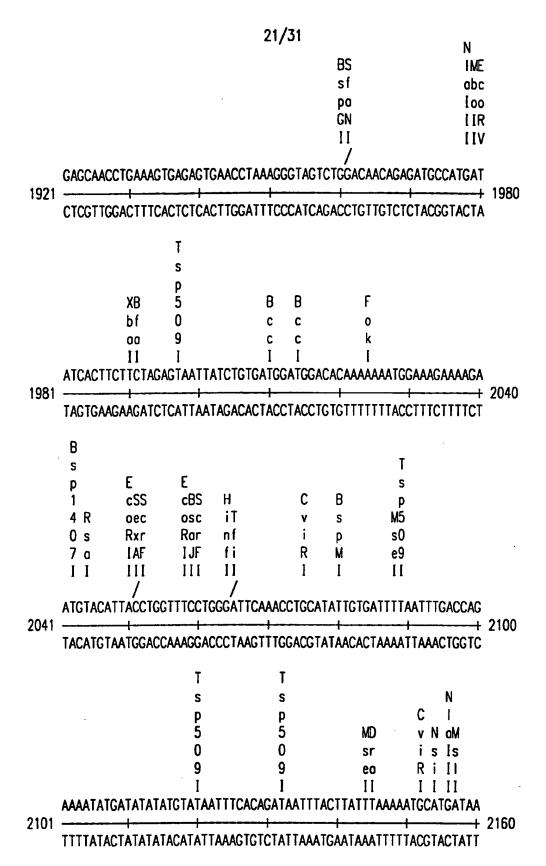


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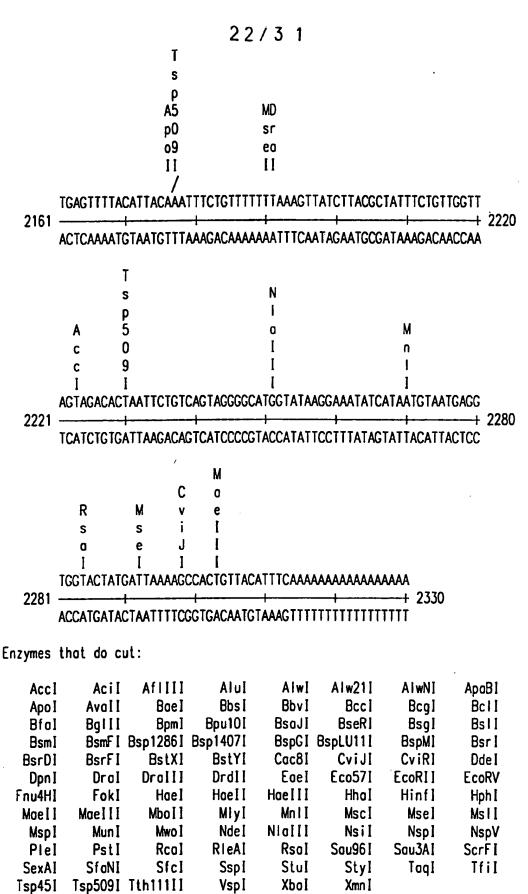


FIG.3J

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Enzymes that do not cut:

Aatil	AfIII	Agel	Alw44]	Apal	Ascl	Avol	Avrll
BamHI	Ban I	'Ban I I	Bce831	Bcefl	BglI	Bpu1102I	Bsol
BsaAl	BsaBI	BsaHl	BsaWi	BscGl	Bsil	BsiEl	BsiWI
BsmAl	BspEI	BsrBl	BssHll	Bst1107[BstEll	Bsu36 I	Clal
Drdl	Dsal	Eagl	Eam11051	Eorl	Ecil	Eco47111	Eco105I
EcoNI	Eco01091	EcoR1	Esp31	Faul	Fsel	FspI	Gdill
Hgal	HgiEII	Hincll	Hindlll	Hpal	KpnI	Miul	Mme I
Nael	Nari	Ncil	Ncol	Nhel	VloIV	NotI	NruI
NspBII	Pacl	Pf11108I	PfIMI	Pme I	PmlI	PshAI	Psp511
Psp1406 I	Pvul	Pvull	RsrII	Saci	Sacil	Sall	Sapī
Scal	Sfil	SgrAI	Smal	Spel	Sphl	SrfI	Sse83871
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FIG.3K

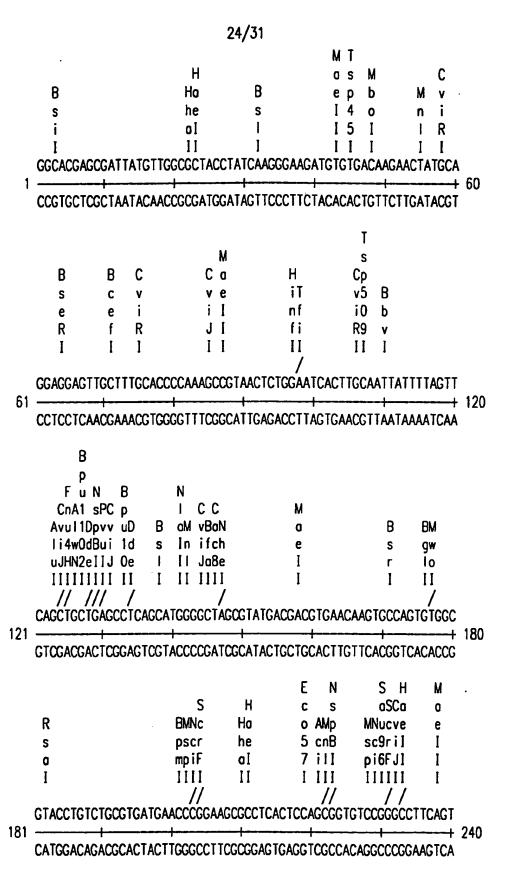


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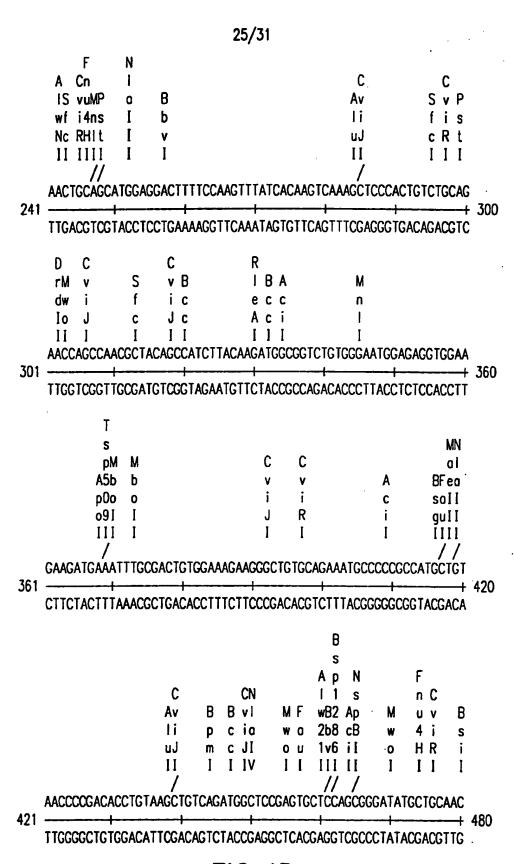


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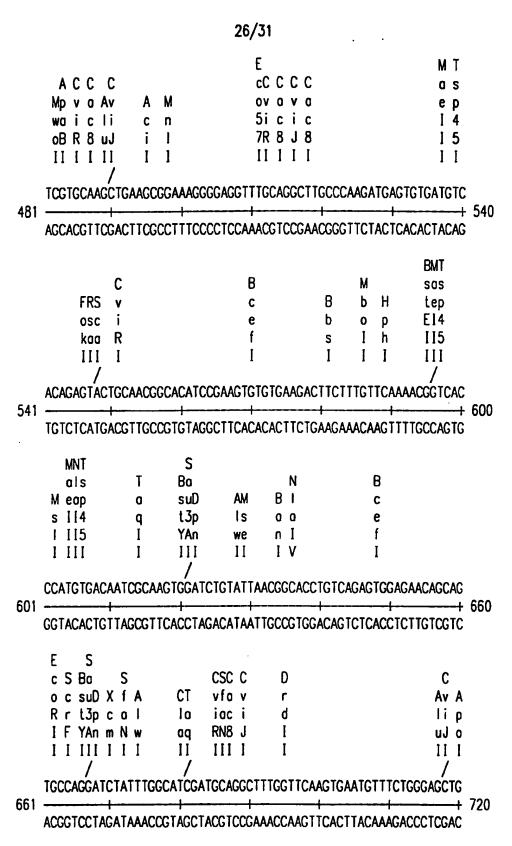


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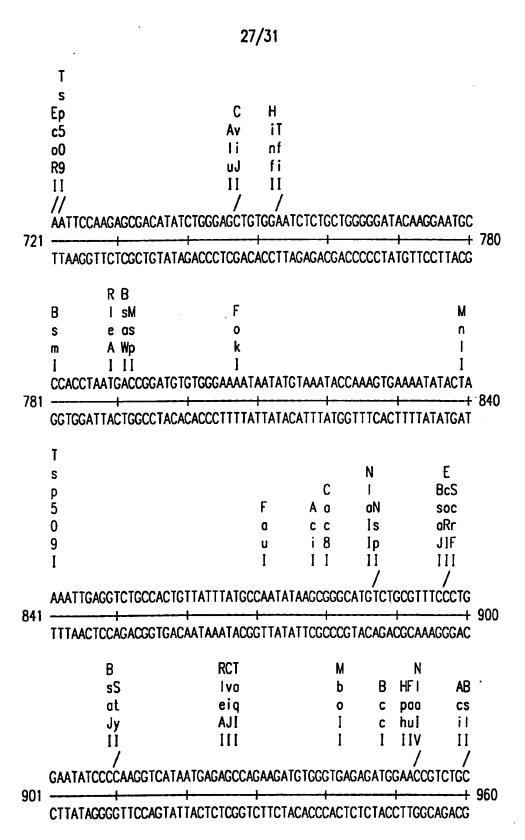


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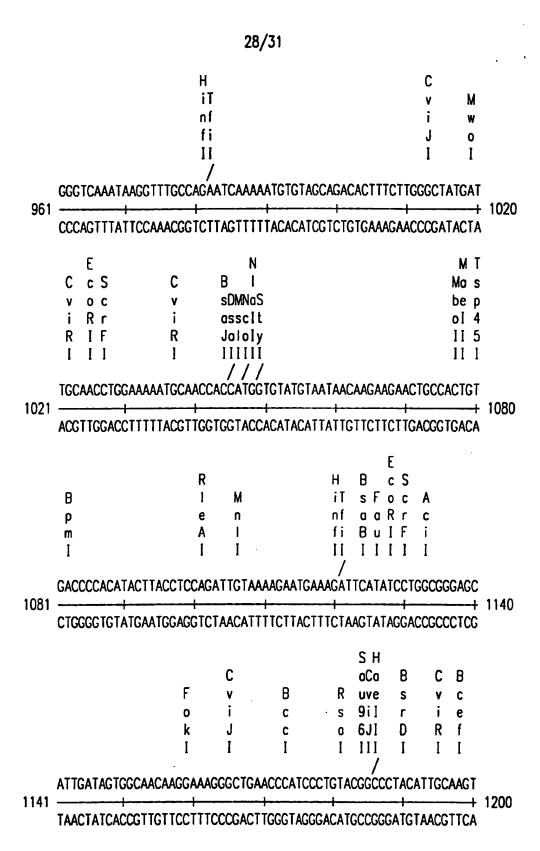


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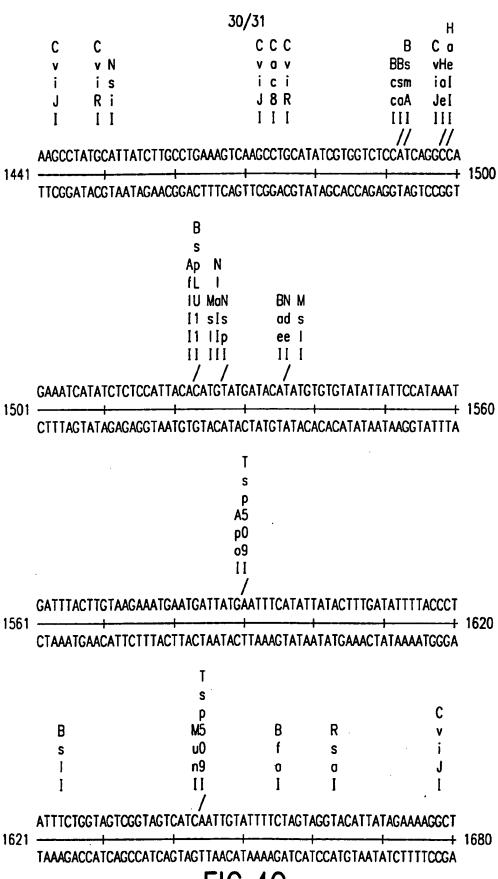
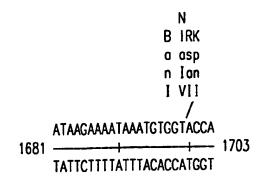


FIG.4G

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Enzymes that do cut:

Apol	ApaBI	AlwNI	Alw211	Alwl	Alul	AfIIII	Acil
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BsaJI	BsaBl	Bsal	Bpu11021	Bpu101	Bpm1	Bqll	Bfol
Bsp12861	BsmAl	Bsml	BsII	Bsil	Bsgl	BseR1	BsaWl
Cac81	BstYl	BstEll	BsrDI	BsrBl	Bsr1	BspLU111	BspG1
Eael	Osal	Drdll	Dpn I	Dde I	CviRl	CviJI	Cial
Hael	Fokl	Fnu4HI	Foul	EcoRII	EcoR1	Eco571	Earl
Moelll	Moell	KpnI	Hph [Hinfl	Hhal	HoellI	Haell
Mwol	Mun I	Mspl	MslI	Msel	Msc1	MnlI	Mboll
Nspl	Nsil	NIalV	NIoIII	Nhel	Ndel	Ncol	Ncil
Sau3A1	Sau96 I	Sapi	Rsol	RIeAI	Pvu]]	PstI	NspBll
Toqli	Taqi	Styl	Spel	SfcI	SfaNI	ScrFI	Scal
				Xcml	Tsp5091	Tsp451	Tfil

Enzymes that do not cut:

Aatll	AccI	Afill	Agel	A1w44]	Apal	Asci	Aval
Avall	Avrll	BamHI	Banll	BcgI	BcgI	Bglll	BsaAl
BsaH]	BscGI	BsiEl	BsiWI	BsmF1	Bsp1407I	BspE I	BspMI
BsrFI	BssHll	Bst11071	BstXI	Bsu361	Dral	Dralli	DrdI
Eagl	Eam11051	Ecil	Eco47111	Eco105I	EcoNI	Eco01091	EcoRV
Esp31	Fsel	Fspl	Gdill	HgaI	HgiEII	Hincll	HindIII
Hpal	MluI	MiyI	Mme I	Nael	Nor I	NotI	NruI
NspV	Paci	Pf111081	PfIMI	Plel	Pmei	Pmli	PshAI
Psp511	Psp14061	PvuI	Rcal	RsrII	Saci	Sacli	Sall
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FIG.4H

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